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School Seismic Safety Assessment Project, Contract No. AE 410 -
Seismic Evaluation for **Tacoma School District**

Dear Ms. Forson and Mr. Black:

Reid Middleton and our consultant team, under the direction of The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Washington Geological Survey (WGS) School Seismic Safety Project, have conducted seismic evaluations of 222 school buildings and 5 fire stations throughout Washington State. This letter is transmitting the results of these seismic assessments for each school district that graciously participated in this statewide study. We understand that you will be forwarding this letter and the accompanying seismic screening reports to each school district for their reference and use.

Many disparate studies on improving the seismic safety of our public school buildings have been performed over the last several decades. Experts in building safety, geologic hazards, emergency management, education, and even the news media have been asserting for decades that seismic risks in older public school buildings represent a risk to our communities. The time to act is now, before we have a damaging earthquake and/or tsunami that could be catastrophic. This statewide school seismic safety assessment project provides a unique opportunity to draw attention to the need for statewide seismic safety policies and funding on behalf of all school districts that will help enable school districts to increase the seismic safety of their older buildings to make them safer for students, teachers, staff, parents, and the community.

It is not the intent of this study to create an unfunded mandate for school districts to seismically upgrade their schools without associated funding or statewide seismic safety policy support. The overall goal of this study was to screen and evaluate the current levels of seismic vulnerabilities of a statewide selection of our older public school buildings and to use the data and information to help quantify funding and policy needs to improve the seismic safety of our public schools. In this process, we are using the information to inform not only the Governor

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and the Legislature of the policy and funding needs for seismically safe schools but also the school districts that participated in the study.

School Buildings Evaluated in the Tacoma School District

We appreciate Tacoma School District's participation and invaluable assistance in this statewide project. The following school district buildings were included as part of this study:

1. Fern Hill Elementary School, Main Building
2. Oakland High School, Main Building

The seismic screening of these buildings was performed using the American Society of Civil Engineers' Standard 41-17, *Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Buildings* (ASCE 41-17), national standard Tier 1 structural and nonstructural seismic screening checklists specific to each building's structure type.

The WGS also conducted seismic site class assessments to measure the shear wave velocity and determine the soil site class at each campus. Site class is an approximation of how much soils at a site will amplify earthquake-induced ground motions and is a critical parameter used in seismic design. Reid Middleton subsequently used this information in their seismic screening analyses.

The following table is a list of available seismic assessment information used in our study:

School Building	Year Constructed / Year Seismically Retrofitted	FEMA Building Classification	Structural Drawings Available for Review
Fern Hill Elementary School, Main Building	1911 / 2006	Unreinforced Masonry Bearing Walls	No
Oakland High School, Main Building	1911	Unreinforced Masonry Bearing Walls	No

Detailed descriptions of the seismic screening evaluations of these buildings can be found in the individual building reports and the ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 screening checklist documents enclosed with this letter. This information will also be available for download on the WGS website:

<https://www.dnr.wa.gov/programs-and-services/geology/geologic-hazards/earthquakes-and-faults/school-seismic-safety>.

These Tier 1 seismic screening checklists are often the first step employed by structural engineers when trying to determine the seismic vulnerabilities of existing buildings and to begin a process of mitigating these seismic vulnerabilities. School district facilities management personnel and their design consultants should be able to take advantage of this information to help inform and address seismic risks in existing or future renovation, repair, or modernization projects.

It is important to note that information used for these school seismic screenings was limited to available construction drawings and limited site observations by our team of licensed structural engineers to observe the general conditions and configuration of each building being seismically screened. In many cases, construction drawings were not available for review as noted in the table above. Due to the limited scope of the study, our team of engineers were not able to perform more-detailed investigations above ceilings, behind wall finishes, in confined spaces, or in other areas obstructed from view. Where building component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information, the unknown conditions were indicated as such on the ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 checklists. Additional field investigations are recommended for the “unknown” seismic evaluation checklist items if more-definitive determinations of seismic safety compliance and further development of seismic mitigation strategies are desired.

Nonstructural Seismic Screening

The enclosed ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 Nonstructural Seismic Screening checklists can provide immediate guidance on seismic deficiencies in nonstructural elements. Mitigating the risk of earthquake impacts from these nonstructural elements should be addressed as soon as practical by school districts. Some nonstructural elements may be easily mitigated by installing seismic bracing of tall cabinets, moving heavy contents to the bottom of shelving, and adding seismic strapping or bracing to water tanks and overhead elements (light fixtures, mechanical units, piping, fire protection systems, etc.).

It is often most economical to mitigate nonstructural seismic hazards when the building is already undergoing mechanical, electrical, plumbing, or architectural upgrades or modernizations. Enclosed with these nonstructural seismic screening checklists are excerpts from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) publication E-74 entitled, *Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage* (FEMA E-74). We have included these FEMA publication excerpts to help illustrate typical seismic mitigation measures that can potentially be implemented by district facilities and maintenance personnel.

Structural Seismic Screening

The enclosed ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 Structural Seismic Screening checklists have evaluation statements that are reviewed for specific building elements and systems to determine if these items are seismically compliant, noncompliant, not applicable, or unknown. These evaluation statements provide guidance on which structural systems and elements have identified seismic deficiencies and should be investigated further. Further seismic evaluations beyond these seismic screening checklists typically consist of more-detailed seismic structural analyses to better define the seismic vulnerabilities and risks. This information is then used to determine cost-effective ways to seismically improve these buildings with stand-alone seismic upgrade projects or incrementally as part of other ongoing building maintenance, repair, or modernization projects. Consequently, implementing seismic structural mitigation strategies typically requires that they be developed as a part of longer-term capital improvements and modernization programs developed by the school district and their design consultants.

Next Steps

Due to the screening nature of the ASCE 41-17 Tier 1 procedures, an in-depth seismic evaluation and analysis of these buildings may be needed before detailed seismic upgrades or improvements, conceptual designs, and probable construction cost estimates are developed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the engineering reports or would like to discuss this further, please contact us.

Sincerely,



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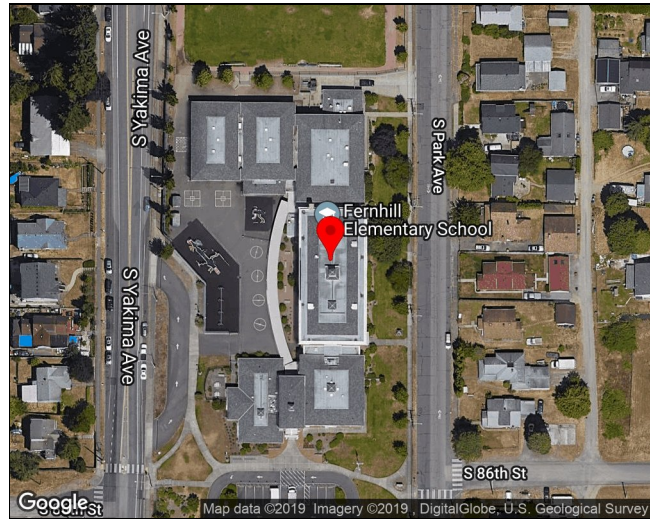
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1. Tacoma, Fern Hill Elementary School, Main Building

1.1 Building Description

Building Name:	Main Building
Facility Name:	Fern Hill Elementary School
District Name:	Tacoma
ICOS Latitude:	47.179
ICOS Longitude:	-122.443
ICOS	
County/District ID:	27010
ICOS Building ID:	15423
ASCE 41 Bldg Type:	URM
Enrollment:	324
Gross Sq. Ft. :	60,159
Year Built:	1911
Number of Stories:	3
S _{XS} BSE-2E:	0.949
S _{X1} BSE-2E:	0.522
ASCE 41 Level of Seismicity:	High
Site Class:	C
V _{S30} (m/s):	535
Liquefaction	
	very low
Potential:	
Tsunami Risk:	Extremely Low
Structural Drawings Available:	No
Evaluating Firm:	BergerABAM/WSP



Fern Hill Elementary is a three-story building with exterior masonry walls, wood frame floors and a wood frame roof. The original building was constructed in 1911 with additions in 1919, 1925 and 2006 to expand the footprint as the student population increased. Originally the first level was partially below grade but the grade has been subsequently lowered revealing a portion of the exterior foundation wall. According to school district personnel, the original building had classrooms on the lower level with a high bay gym above. The two-story gym was later infilled with floor framing, creating three stories of classrooms. The exterior walls are two-wythe masonry construction. The 2006 addition included seismic upgrades to the earlier structures. Visible seismic upgrades included new three-story steel braced frames (interior) and exterior “rosettes” which tied the exterior masonry walls to the floors and roof. According to the 2006 documents, additional masonry wall anchorages were added to the inside structural framing that are not visible.

1.1.1 Building Use

Fern Hill Elementary School houses approximately 325 students. The older portions of the building house classrooms. Administration and other functions are in the 2006 addition. The building is composed of 1911 original construction and additions and upgrades in 1919, 1925 and 2006.

1.1.2 Structural System

Table 1.1-1. Structural System Description of Fern Hill Elementary School

Structural System	Description
Structural Roof	The original 1911 construction is wood frame composed of heavy timber beams with wood joists. The joists span east- west without interior bearing.
Structural Floor(s)	The second and third floor construction is wood frame, the first floor is a concrete slab.
Foundations	The original foundation walls were partially exposed when the grade was lowered.
Gravity System	The gravity system is wood frame with unreinforced, two-wythe masonry exterior walls. Interior supports are wood beams supported on wood or steel columns.
Lateral System	The lateral-force-resisting system is composed of unreinforced masonry walls with wood frame diaphragms at the floor and roof levels. New steel braced frames were added in 2006. Additional masonry wall ties were also added in 2006.

1.1.3 Structural System Visual Condition

Table 1.1-2. Structural System Condition Description of Fern Hill Elementary School

Structural System	Description
Structural Roof	Unknown, district personnel did not report any leaks.
Structural Floor(s)	Did not observe signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration.
Foundations	Unknown.
Gravity System	Did not observe signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration.
Lateral System	The lateral force resisting system was upgraded in the 2006 construction. Did not observe signs of corrosion, damage or deterioration.

1.2 Seismic Evaluation Findings

1.2.1 Structural Seismic Deficiencies

The structural seismic deficiencies identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each deficiency is also provided based on this evaluation.

Table 1-3. Identified Structural Seismic Deficiencies for Tacoma Fern Hill Elementary School Main Building

Deficiency	Description
Adjacent Buildings	Calculated minimum clear distance of 26.5 ft height x 1.5% = 4.8 inches, which is close to the gap provided. (North side two inch seismic joint and south side four inch seismic joint between 2006 construction and earlier construction.) Exact height of 2006 roof unknown.
Shear Stress Check	Quick Check procedure indicated that west cmu walls may be overstressed. Further study is recommended. May require cmu wall strengthening such as braced frames or shotcrete.
Proportions	A quick calculation indicates the first and second stories comply, but the top story does not.
Cross Ties	Cross ties between diaphragm chords for the 1911 building were not observed in the field or detailed in the 2006 structural drawings. Additional straps may be required.

1.2.2 Structural Checklist Items Marked as 'U'nknown

Where building structural component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information or limited observation, the structural checklist items were marked as “unknown”. These items require further investigation if definitive determination of compliance or noncompliance is desired. The unknown structural checklist items identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each unknown item is also provided based on the evaluation.

Table 1-4. Identified Structural Checklist Items Marked as Unknown for Tacoma Fern Hill Elementary School Main Building

Unknown Item	Description
Liquefaction	The liquefaction potential of site soils is unknown at this time given available information. Very low liquefaction potential is identified per ICOS based on state geologic mapping. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine liquefaction potential.
Slope Failure	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine susceptibility to slope failure. The structure appears to be located on a relatively flat site.
Surface Fault Rupture	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine whether site is near locations of expected surface fault ruptures.
Girder-Column Connection	Existing 2006 structural drawings indicate a well-designed and detailed addition and seismic upgrade, but existing beam/column details from 1911 construction are not addressed.
Masonry Layup	Did not observe.
Openings at Shear Walls	This requirement may not be met at end stairs but steel frames and other measures were added to upgrade the lateral force resisting system.
Openings at Exterior Masonry Shear Walls	This requirement may not be met at end stairs but steel frames and other measures were added to upgrade the lateral force resisting system.
Stiffness of Wall Anchors	Ties were added in the 2006 addition. Assume they were installed in accordance with manufacturer recommendations.

1.3.1 Nonstructural Seismic Deficiencies

The nonstructural seismic deficiencies identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each deficiency is also provided based on this evaluation. Some nonstructural deficiencies may be able to be mitigated by school district staff. Other nonstructural components that require more substantial mitigation may be more appropriately included in a long-term mitigation strategy. Some typical conceptual details for the seismic upgrade of nonstructural components can be found in the FEMA E-74 Excerpts appendix.

Table 1-5. Identified Nonstructural Seismic Deficiencies for Tacoma Fern Hill Elementary School Main Building

Deficiency	Description
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The Tier 1 nonstructural seismic evaluation performed for this school building could not confirm nonstructural seismic deficiencies due to limited access for visual observation and/or lack of existing drawings available for review. Please refer to the next page of this report for the list of nonstructural items marked as “unknown” and commentary indicating the need for further investigation or the likelihood of compliance or non-compliance based on the age of construction.

1.3.2 Nonstructural Checklist Items Marked as 'Unknown'

Where building nonstructural component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information or limited observation, the nonstructural checklist items were marked as “unknown”. These items require further investigation if definitive determination of compliance or noncompliance is desired. The unknown nonstructural checklist items identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each unknown item is also provided based on the evaluation.

Some nonstructural deficiencies may be able to be mitigated by school district staff. Other nonstructural components that require more substantial mitigation may be more appropriately included in a long-term mitigation strategy. Some typical conceptual details for the seismic upgrade of nonstructural components can be found in the FEMA E-74 Excerpts appendix.

Table 1-6. Identified Nonstructural Checklist Items Marked as Unknown for Tacoma Fern Hill Elementary School Main Building

Unknown Item	Description
LSS-1 Fire Suppression Piping. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Not detailed on available drawings or visually verified during site visit. See Report documents (including Appendix) for bracing guidance.
LSS-2 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Not detailed on available drawings or visually verified during site visit. See Report documents (including Appendix) for bracing guidance.
LSS-3 Emergency Power. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Not detailed on available drawings or visually verified during site visit. See Report documents (including Appendix) for bracing guidance.
LSS-4 Stair and Smoke Ducts. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No enclosed stair.
LSS-5 Sprinkler Ceiling Clearance. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Not detailed on available drawings.
HM-1 Hazardous Material Equipment. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Did not observe equipment containing hazardous materials mounted on vibration isolators. District to confirm. See Report documents (including Appendix) for bracing guidance.
HM-2 Hazardous Material Storage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Did not observe breakable containers with hazardous materials. District to confirm. See Report documents (including Appendix) for bracing guidance.
HM-3 Hazardous Material Distribution. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Did not observe piping or ductwork conveying hazardous materials. District to confirm. See Report documents (including Appendix) for bracing guidance.
HM-4 Shutoff Valves. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Did not observe but likely compliant. District to confirm.
HM-5 Flexible Couplings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Did not observe. District to confirm.
HM-6 Piping or Ducts Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	
LF-1 Independent Support. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Supports hidden by ceiling, unable to confirm light fixture supports. Further investigation required. See Report documents (including Appendix) for bracing guidance.
CG-8 Overhead Glazing. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Did not observe large glazing panels. District to confirm.
M-4 Unreinforced Masonry Backup. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Exterior walls appear to be double wythe masonry walls (not veneer). Reinforcement between the wythes is unknown.

Unknown Item	Description
PCOA-2 Canopies. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Canopies appeared to be well attached to the building.
PCOA-4 Appendages. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Rooftop bell tower was reconstructed and existing masonry parapets were braced in the 2006 construction project.
MC-1 URM Chimneys. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The photos indicate a chimney that appears to be part of the 1925 construction. It is likely to be unreinforced, but height and dimensions are unknown. Further investigation required.
MC-2 Anchorage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Details not available.
CF-1 Industrial Storage Racks. HR-LMH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Did not observe unbraced storage greater than 12 ft high. District to confirm. See Report documents (including Appendix) for bracing guidance.
CF-2 Tall Narrow Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Did not observe. District to confirm. Brace tops of shelving taller than 6 feet to nearest backing wall, provide overturning base restraint.
CF-3 Fall-Prone Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Did not observe. District to confirm. Heavy items on upper shelves should be restrained by netting or cabling to avoid becoming falling hazards.
ME-1 Fall-Prone Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Did not observe. District to confirm.
ME-2 In-Line Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Did not observe. District to confirm.
ME-3 Tall Narrow Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Did not observe. District to confirm. Brace tops of tall narrow equipment taller than 6 feet to nearest backing wall, provide overturning base restraint.
EL-1 Retainer Guards. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Not detailed on drawings and did not observe. District to confirm.
EL-2 Retainer Plate. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Not detailed on drawings and did not observe. District to confirm.

Photos:



Figure 1-1. Fern Hill East Entry



Figure 1-2. Fern Hill East Side - Rosettes tying unreinforced masonry wythes together



Figure 1-3. Fern Hill seismic joint between 1911 construction and later addition



Figure 1-4. Fern Hill east side - exposed foundation wall



Figure 1-5. Fern Hill West Elevation



Figure 1-6. Fern Hill Seismic Joint - inside building



Figure 1-7. Fern Hill Braced Frame

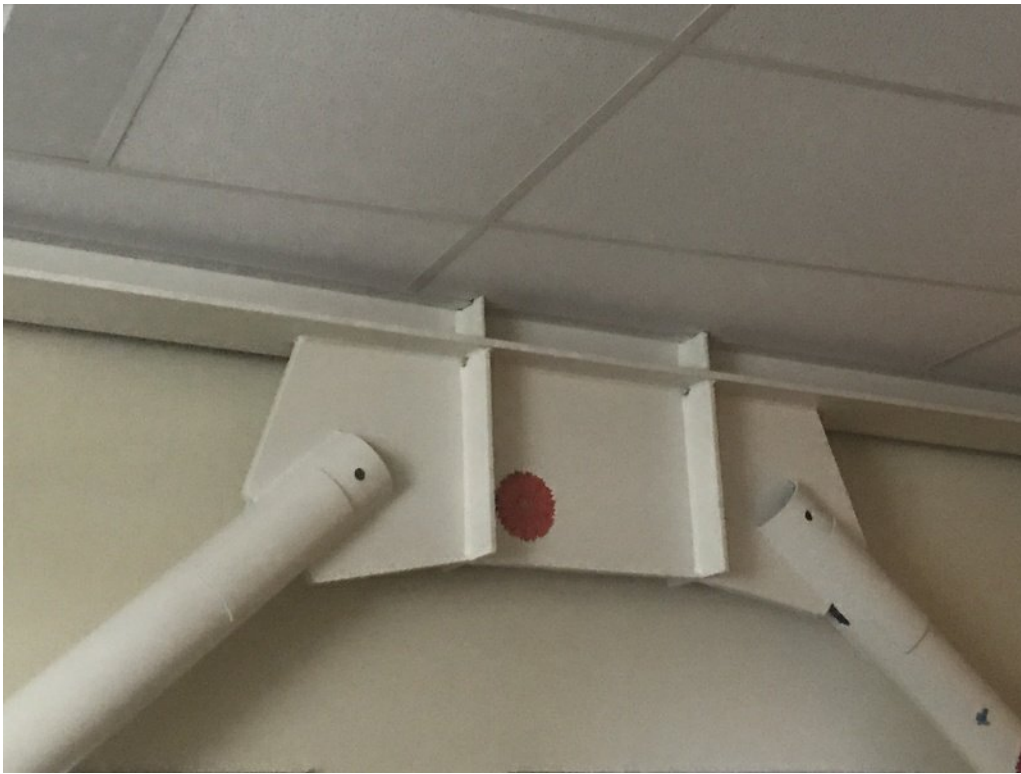


Figure 1-8. Fern Hill braced frame connection



Figure 1-9. Fern Hill lower level classroom windows



Figure 1-10. Fern Hill crack in interior wall

Tacoma, Fern Hill Elementary School, Main Building

17-2 Collapse Prevention Basic Configuration Checklist

Building record drawings have been reviewed, when available, and a non-destructive field investigation has been performed for the subject building. Each of the required checklist items are marked Compliant (C), Noncompliant (NC), Not Applicable (N/A), or Unknown (U). Items marked Compliant indicate conditions that satisfy the performance objective, whereas items marked Noncompliant or Unknown indicate conditions that do not. Certain statements might not apply to the building being evaluated.

Low Seismicity

Building System - General

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Load Path	The structure contains a complete, well-defined load path, including structural elements and connections, that serves to transfer the inertial forces associated with the mass of all elements of the building to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.10)	X				The seismic upgrades made in 2006 included installation of interior braced frames in each direction, as well as anchoring the unreinforced masonry walls to the roof and floor diaphragms.
Adjacent Buildings	The clear distance between the building being evaluated and any adjacent building is greater than 0.25% of the height of the shorter building in low seismicity, 0.5% in moderate seismicity, and 1.5% in high seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.2)		X			Calculated minimum clear distance of 26.5 ft height x 1.5% = 4.8 inches, which is close to the gap provided. (North side two inch seismic joint and south side four inch seismic joint between 2006 construction and earlier construction.) Exact height of 2006 roof unknown.
Mezzanines	Interior mezzanine levels are braced independently from the main structure or are anchored to the seismic-force-resisting elements of the main structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.3)			X		There is no interior mezzanine.

Building System - Building Configuration

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Weak Story	The sum of the shear strengths of the seismic-force-resisting system in any story in each direction is not less than 80% of the strength in the adjacent story above. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.1; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.2)	X				The lateral force resisting system stacks and is similar at each level.
Soft Story	The stiffness of the seismic-force-resisting system in any story is not less than 70% of the seismic-force-resisting system stiffness in an adjacent story above or less than 80% of the average seismic-force-resisting system stiffness of the three stories above. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.2; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.3)	X				The lateral force resisting system stacks and is similar at each level.

Vertical Irregularities	All vertical elements in the seismic-force-resisting system are continuous to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.3; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.4)	X				The lateral force resisting system stacks and is similar at each level.
Geometry	There are no changes in the net horizontal dimension of the seismic-force-resisting system of more than 30% in a story relative to adjacent stories, excluding one-story penthouses and mezzanines. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.4; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.5)	X				The lateral force resisting system stacks and is similar at each level.
Mass	There is no change in effective mass of more than 50% from one story to the next. Light roofs, penthouses, and mezzanines need not be considered. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.5; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.6)	X				
Torsion	The estimated distance between the story center of mass and the story center of rigidity is less than 20% of the building width in either plan dimension. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.6; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.7)	X				The school has flexible roof and floor diaphragms which will distribute the lateral forces to the exterior shear walls and interior braced frames by tributary area.

Moderate Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low Seismicity)

Geologic Site Hazards

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Liquefaction	Liquefaction-susceptible, saturated, loose granular soils that could jeopardize the building's seismic performance do not exist in the foundation soils at depths within 50 ft (15.2 m) under the building. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.1)				X	The liquefaction potential of site soils is unknown at this time given available information. Very low liquefaction potential is identified per ICOS based on state geologic mapping. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine liquefaction potential.
Slope Failure	The building site is located away from potential earthquake-induced slope failures or rockfalls so that it is unaffected by such failures or is capable of accommodating any predicted movements without failure. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.2)				X	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine susceptibility to slope failure. The structure appears to be located on a relatively flat site.

Surface Fault Rupture	Surface fault rupture and surface displacement at the building site are not anticipated. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.3)				X	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine whether site is near locations of expected surface fault ruptures.
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High Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low and Moderate Seismicity)

Foundation Configuration

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Overturning	The ratio of the least horizontal dimension of the seismic-force-resisting system at the foundation level to the building height (base/height) is greater than 0.6Sa. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.3; Commentary: Sec. A.6.2.1)	X				0.6Sa = 0.57 is significantly less than base/height ratio of 1.6.
Ties Between Foundation Elements	The foundation has ties adequate to resist seismic forces where footings, piles, and piers are not restrained by beams, slabs, or soils classified as Site Class A, B, or C. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.4; Commentary: Sec. A.6.2.2)	X				Footings are restrained by slab on grade.

17-36 Collapse Prevention Structural Checklist for Building Types URM and URMa

Building record drawings have been reviewed, when available, and a non-destructive field investigation has been performed for the subject building. Each of the required checklist items are marked Compliant (C), Noncompliant (NC), Not Applicable (N/A), or Unknown (U). Items marked Compliant indicate conditions that satisfy the performance objective, whereas items marked Noncompliant or Unknown indicate conditions that do not. Certain statements might not apply to the building being evaluated.

Low and Moderate Seismicity

Seismic-Force-Resisting System

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Redundancy	The number of lines of shear walls in each principal direction is greater than or equal to 2. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.1.1)	X				Multiple shear walls/frames in each direction provided.
Shear Stress Check	The shear stress in the unreinforced masonry shear walls, calculated using the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.3, is less than 30 lb/in. ² (0.21 MPa) for clay units and 70 lb/in. ² (0.48 MPa) for concrete units. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.5.1)		X			Quick Check procedure indicated that west cmu walls may be overstressed. Further study is recommended. May require cmu wall strengthening such as braced frames or shotcrete.

Connections

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Wall Anchorage	Exterior concrete or masonry walls that are dependent on the diaphragm for lateral support are anchored for out-of-plane forces at each diaphragm level with steel anchors, reinforcing dowels, or straps that are developed into the diaphragm. Connections have strength to resist the connection force calculated in the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.7. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.5.1.1)	X				Wall anchorage added in the 2006 construction project.
Wood Ledgers	The connection between the wall panels and the diaphragm does not induce cross-grain bending or tension in the wood ledgers. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.5.1.2)	X				2006 construction details indicate straps were added to tie masonry walls to diaphragms and attention was paid to avoid cross grain bending of ledgers.
Transfer to Shear Walls	Diaphragms are connected for transfer of seismic forces to the shear walls. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.2; Commentary: Sec. A.5.2.1)	X				2006 drawing details indicate there are ties between diaphragms and walls.

Girder-Column Connection	There is a positive connection using plates, connection hardware, or straps between the girder and the column support. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.4.1; Commentary: Sec. A.5.4.1)				X	Existing 2006 structural drawings indicate a well-designed and detailed addition and seismic upgrade, but existing beam/column details from 1911 construction are not addressed.
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High Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low and Moderate Seismicity)

Seismic-Force-Resisting System

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Proportions	The height-to-thickness ratio of the shear walls at each story is less than the following: Top story of multi-story building – 9; First story of multi-story building – 15; All other conditions – 13. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.5.2)		X			A quick calculation indicates the first and second stories comply, but the top story does not.
Masonry Layup	Filled collar joints of multi-wythe masonry walls have negligible voids. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.4.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.5.3)				X	Did not observe.

Diaphragms (Stiff or Flexible)

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Openings at Shear Walls	Diaphragm openings immediately adjacent to the shear walls are less than 25% of the wall length. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.4)				X	This requirement may not be met at end stairs but steel frames and other measures were added to upgrade the lateral force resisting system.
Openings at Exterior Masonry Shear Walls	Diaphragm openings immediately adjacent to exterior masonry shear walls are not greater than 8 ft (2.4 m) long. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.6)				X	This requirement may not be met at end stairs but steel frames and other measures were added to upgrade the lateral force resisting system.

Flexible Diaphragms

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Cross Ties	There are continuous cross ties between diaphragm chords. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.2)		X			Cross ties between diaphragm chords for the 1911 building were not observed in the field or detailed in the 2006 structural drawings. Additional straps may be required.
Straight Sheathing	All straight-sheathed diaphragms have aspect ratios less than 2-to-1 in the direction being considered. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.1)			X		Plywood sheathed diaphragm.

Spans	All wood diaphragms with spans greater than 24 ft (7.3 m) consist of wood structural panels or diagonal sheathing. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.2)	X				1/2 sheathing was applied to floors in the 2006 remodel.
Diagonally Sheathed and Unblocked Diaphragms	All diagonally sheathed or unblocked wood structural panel diaphragms have horizontal spans less than 40 ft (12.2 m) and aspect ratios less than or equal to 4 to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.3)	X				Unblocked structural diaphragm has horizontal spans less than 40 ft and aspect ratios less than or equal to 4 to 1.
Other Diaphragms	The diaphragms do not consist of a system other than wood, metal deck, concrete, or horizontal bracing. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.4.7.1)	X				Wood diaphragms are provided.

Connections

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Stiffness of Wall Anchors	Anchors of concrete or masonry walls to wood structural elements are installed taut and are stiff enough to limit the relative movement between the wall and the diaphragm to no greater than 1/8 in. before engagement of the anchors. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.5.1.4)				X	Ties were added in the 2006 addition. Assume they were installed in accordance with manufacturer recommendations.
Beam, Girder, and Truss Supports	Beams, girders, and trusses supported by unreinforced masonry walls or pilasters have independent secondary columns for support of vertical loads. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.4.4; Commentary: Sec. A.5.4.5)	X				Supports added in the 2006 construction project.

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Notes:

C = Compliant, NC = Noncompliant, N/A = Not Applicable, and U = Unknown.

Performance Level: HR = Hazards Reduced, LS = Life Safety, and PR = Position Retention.

Level of Seismicity: L = Low, M = Moderate, and H = High

Life Safety Systems

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
LSS-1 Fire Suppression Piping. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Fire suppression piping is anchored and braced in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.1)				X	No available record drawing information on fire suppression piping and unable to verify during site investigation. Based on year of latest construction (2006) of the building, it is assumed that seismic bracing for fire suppression piping may be compliant with NFPA 13. District to confirm.
LSS-2 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Fire suppression piping has flexible couplings in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.2)				X	No available record drawing information on fire suppression piping and unable to verify during site investigation. Based on date of the most recent seismic upgrade, it is assumed the flexible couplings on the fire suppression piping comply with NFPA 13.
LSS-3 Emergency Power. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Equipment used to power or control Life Safety systems is anchored or braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.1)				X	Available record drawings do not have information on anchorage or bracing for emergency power equipment and could not verify during site investigation. Based on recent seismic upgrade, may be compliant but evaluation of emergency power equipment may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
LSS-4 Stair and Smoke Ducts. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Stair pressurization and smoke control ducts are braced and have flexible connections at seismic joints. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.1)			X		No enclosed stairs.

LSS-5 Sprinkler Ceiling Clearance. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Penetrations through panelized ceilings for fire suppression devices provide clearances in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.3)				X	No available record drawing information on sprinkler head clearance and unable to verify during site investigation. Further evaluation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
LSS-6 Emergency Lighting. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-LMH	Emergency and egress lighting equipment is anchored or braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.1)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Hazardous Materials

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
HM-1 Hazardous Material Equipment. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Equipment mounted on vibration isolators and containing hazardous material is equipped with restraints or snubbers. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.2)			X		Did not observe equipment containing hazardous materials mounted on vibration isolators. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
HM-2 Hazardous Material Storage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Breakable containers that hold hazardous material, including gas cylinders, are restrained by latched doors, shelf lips, wires, or other methods. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.3; Commentary: Sec. A.7.15.1)				X	Unknown whether the building has hazardous materials. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
HM-3 Hazardous Material Distribution. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping or ductwork conveying hazardous materials is braced or otherwise protected from damage that would allow hazardous material release. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.4)			X		Did not observe any piping or ductwork conveying hazardous materials.
HM-4 Shutoff Valves. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping containing hazardous material, including natural gas, has shutoff valves or other devices to limit spills or leaks. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.3)				X	It is unknown if there are shutoff valves for piping containing hazardous materials. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
HM-5 Flexible Couplings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Hazardous material ductwork and piping, including natural gas piping, have flexible couplings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.15.4)				X	Did not observe any hazardous material ductwork and piping. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.

HM-6 Piping or Ducts Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping or ductwork carrying hazardous material that either crosses seismic joints or isolation planes or is connected to independent structures has couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5, 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.6)				X	Did not observe. District to confirm. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
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Partitions

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
P-1 Unreinforced Masonry. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unreinforced masonry or hollow-clay tile partitions are braced at a spacing of at most 10 ft (3.0 m) in Low or Moderate Seismicity, or at most 6 ft (1.8 m) in High Seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.1)			X		According to available 2006 drawings, interior partitions are not masonry.
P-2 Heavy Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The tops of masonry or hollow-clay tile partitions are not laterally supported by an integrated ceiling system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.1)			X		According to available 2006 drawings, interior partitions are not masonry.
P-3 Drift. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Rigid cementitious partitions are detailed to accommodate the following drift ratios: in steel moment frame, concrete moment frame, and wood frame buildings, 0.02; in other buildings, 0.005. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.2)			X		There were no rigid cementitious partitions observed in building.
P-4 Light Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The tops of gypsum board partitions are not laterally supported by an integrated ceiling system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.1)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
P-5 Structural Separations. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Partitions that cross structural separations have seismic or control joints. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.3)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
P-6 Tops. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The tops of ceiling-high framed or panelized partitions have lateral bracing to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft (1.8 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.4)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Ceilings

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
C-1 Suspended Lath and Plaster. HR-H; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Suspended lath and plaster ceilings have attachments that resist seismic forces for every 12 ft ² (1.1 m ²) of area. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.3)			X		No suspended lath and plaster ceilings observed.
C-2 Suspended Gypsum Board. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Suspended gypsum board ceilings have attachments that resist seismic forces for every 12 ft ² (1.1 m ²) of area. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.3)			X		No suspended gypsum board ceilings.

C-3 Integrated Ceilings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) and ceilings of smaller areas that are not surrounded by restraining partitions are laterally restrained at a spacing no greater than 12 ft (3.6 m) with members attached to the structure above. Each restraint location has a minimum of four diagonal wires and compression struts, or diagonal members capable of resisting compression. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.2)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
C-4 Edge Clearance. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The free edges of integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) have clearances from the enclosing wall or partition of at least the following: in Moderate Seismicity, 1/2 in. (13 mm); in High Seismicity, 3/4 in. (19 mm). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.4)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
C-5 Continuity Across Structure Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The ceiling system does not cross any seismic joint and is not attached to multiple independent structures. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.5)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
C-6 Edge Support. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The free edges of integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) are supported by closure angles or channels not less than 2 in. (51 mm) wide. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4 ; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.6)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
C-7 Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Acoustical tile or lay-in panel ceilings have seismic separation joints such that each continuous portion of the ceiling is no more than 2,500 ft ² (232.3 m ²) and has a ratio of long-to-short dimension no more than 4-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.7)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.

Light Fixtures

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
LF-1 Independent Support. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Light fixtures that weigh more per square foot than the ceiling they penetrate are supported independent of the grid ceiling suspension system by a minimum of two wires at diagonally opposite corners of each fixture. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4, 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.2)				X	Supports hidden by ceiling, unable to confirm light fixture supports. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.

LF-2 Pendant Supports. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Light fixtures on pendant supports are attached at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft. Unbraced suspended fixtures are free to allow a 360-degree range of motion at an angle not less than 45 degrees from horizontal without contacting adjacent components. Alternatively, if rigidly supported and/or braced, they are free to move with the structure to which they are attached without damaging adjoining components. Additionally, the connection to the structure is capable of accommodating the movement without failure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.3)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
LF-3 Lens Covers. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Lens covers on light fixtures are attached with safety devices. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.4)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Cladding and Glazing

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
CG-1 Cladding Anchors. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Cladding components weighing more than 10 lb/ft ² (0.48 kN/m ²) are mechanically anchored to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 6 ft (1.8 m); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 4 ft (1.2 m) (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.1)			X		Exterior wall appears to be double wythe masonry, not cladding.
CG-2 Cladding Isolation. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For steel or concrete moment-frame buildings, panel connections are detailed to accommodate a story drift ratio by the use of rods attached to framing with oversize holes or slotted holes of at least the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 0.01; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 0.02, and the rods have a length-to-diameter ratio of 4.0 or less. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.3)			X		The building does not have exterior cladding.
CG-3 Multi-Story Panels. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For multi-story panels attached at more than one floor level, panel connections are detailed to accommodate a story drift ratio by the use of rods attached to framing with oversize holes or slotted holes of at least the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 0.01; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 0.02, and the rods have a length-to-diameter ratio of 4.0 or less. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.4)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.

CG-4 Threaded Rods. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Threaded rods for panel connections detailed to accommodate drift by bending of the rod have a length-to-diameter ratio greater than 0.06 times the story height in inches for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity and 0.12 times the story height in inches for Life Safety in High Seismicity and Position Retention in any seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.9)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.
CG-5 Panel Connections. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Cladding panels are anchored out of plane with a minimum number of connections for each wall panel, as follows: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 2 connections; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 4 connections. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.5)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.
CG-6 Bearing Connections. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Where bearing connections are used, there is a minimum of two bearing connections for each cladding panel. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.6)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.
CG-7 Inserts. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Where concrete cladding components use inserts, the inserts have positive anchorage or are anchored to reinforcing steel. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.7)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.
CG-8 Overhead Glazing. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Glazing panes of any size in curtain walls and individual interior or exterior panes more than 16 ft ² (1.5 m ²) in area are laminated annealed or laminated heat-strengthened glass and are detailed to remain in the frame when cracked. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.8)				X	Did not observe large glazing panels. Further investigation may be warranted to mitigate seismic risk.

Masonry Veneer

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
M-1 Ties. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is connected to the backup with corrosion-resistant ties. There is a minimum of one tie for every 2-2/3 ft ² (0.25 m ²), and the ties have spacing no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 36 in. (914 mm); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 24 in. (610 mm). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.1)			X		Exterior walls appear to be double wythe masonry walls (not veneer).
M-2 Shelf Angles. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is supported by shelf angles or other elements at each floor above the ground floor. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.2)			X		Exterior walls appear to be double wythe masonry walls (not veneer).

M-3 Weakened Planes. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is anchored to the backup adjacent to weakened planes, such as at the locations of flashing. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.3)			X		Exterior walls appear to be double wythe masonry walls (not veneer).
M-4 Unreinforced Masonry Backup. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	There is no unreinforced masonry backup. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.7.2)				X	Exterior walls appear to be double wythe masonry walls (not veneer). Reinforcement between the wythes is unknown. Further investigation may be warranted to mitigate seismic risk.
M-5 Stud Tracks. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For veneer with coldformed steel stud backup, stud tracks are fastened to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than 24 in. (610 mm) on center. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.6.)			X		No cold formed steel stud backup at veneer.
M-6 Anchorage. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For veneer with concrete block or masonry backup, the backup is positively anchored to the structure at a horizontal spacing equal to or less than 4 ft along the floors and roof. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.7.1)			X		Exterior walls appear to be double wythe masonry walls (not veneer).
M-7 Weep Holes. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	In veneer anchored to stud walls, the veneer has functioning weep holes and base flashing. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.6)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
M-8 Openings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	For veneer with cold-formed-steel stud backup, steel studs frame window and door openings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.6.2)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Parapets, Cornices, Ornamentation, and Appendages

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
PCOA-1 URM Parapets or Cornices. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Laterally unsupported unreinforced masonry parapets or cornices have height-to-thickness ratios no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 2.5; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 1.5. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.1)	X				2005 drawings indicate anchorage between existing masonry walls and the roof framing and to the stud wall back-up.
PCOA-2 Canopies. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Canopies at building exits are anchored to the structure at a spacing no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 10 ft (3.0 m); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 6 ft (1.8 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.2)	X				Canopies appeared to be well attached to the building.
PCOA-3 Concrete Parapets. HR-H; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Concrete parapets with height-to-thickness ratios greater than 2.5 have vertical reinforcement. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.3)			X		No concrete parapets.

PCOA-4 Appendages. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Cornices, parapets, signs, and other ornamentation or appendages that extend above the highest point of anchorage to the structure or cantilever from components are reinforced and anchored to the structural system at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft (1.8 m). This evaluation statement item does not apply to parapets or cornices covered by other evaluation statements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.4)	X					Rooftop bell tower was reconstructed and existing masonry parapets were braced in the 2006 construction project.
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Masonry Chimneys

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
MC-1 URM Chimneys. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unreinforced masonry chimneys extend above the roof surface no more than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 3 times the least dimension of the chimney; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 2 times the least dimension of the chimney. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.9.1)				X	The photos indicate a chimney that appears to be part of the 1925 construction. It is likely to be unreinforced, but height and dimensions are unknown. Further investigation required.
MC-2 Anchorage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry chimneys are anchored at each floor level, at the topmost ceiling level, and at the roof. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.9.2)				X	Details not available. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.

Stairs

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
S-1 Stair Enclosures. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Hollow-clay tile or unreinforced masonry walls around stair enclosures are restrained out of plane and have height-to-thickness ratios not greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 15-to-1; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 12-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2, 13.6.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.10.1)	X				Wall anchors were added during the 2006 construction/seismic upgrade.
S-2 Stair Details. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The connection between the stairs and the structure does not rely on post-installed anchors in concrete or masonry, and the stair details are capable of accommodating the drift calculated using the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.1 for moment-frame structures or 0.5 in. for all other structures without including any lateral stiffness contribution from the stairs. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.10.2)	X				2006 construction moved the stairs to the end walls. Wood frame stairs are supported on wood frame walls and masonry walls are tied back to the wood structure with epoxy anchors.

Contents and Furnishings

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
CF-1 Industrial Storage Racks. HR-LMH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Industrial storage racks or pallet racks more than 12 ft high meet the requirements of ANSI/RMI MH 16.1 as modified by ASCE 7, Chapter 15. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.1)			X		Does not appear that there are any industrial storage racks taller than 12 feet in the building.
CF-2 Tall Narrow Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Contents more than 6 ft (1.8 m) high with a height-to-depth or height-to-width ratio greater than 3-to-1 are anchored to the structure or to each other. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.2)				X	Did not observe. Brace tops of shelving taller than 6 feet to nearest backing wall, provide overturning base restraint.
CF-3 Fall-Prone Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment, stored items, or other contents weighing more than 20 lb (9.1 kg) whose center of mass is more than 4 ft (1.2 m) above the adjacent floor level are braced or otherwise restrained. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.3)				X	Did not observe. District to confirm. Heavy items on upper shelves should be restrained by netting or cabling to avoid becoming falling hazards.
CF-4 Access Floors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Access floors more than 9 in. (229 mm) high are braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.10; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.4)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
CF-5 Equipment on Access Floors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Equipment and other contents supported by access floor systems are anchored or braced to the structure independent of the access floor. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7 13.6.10; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.5)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
CF-6 Suspended Contents. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Items suspended without lateral bracing are free to swing from or move with the structure from which they are suspended without damaging themselves or adjoining components. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.6)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.

Mechanical and Electrical Equipment

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
ME-1 Fall-Prone Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment weighing more than 20 lb (9.1 kg) whose center of mass is more than 4 ft (1.2 m) above the adjacent floor level, and which is not in-line equipment, is braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.4)				X	Did not observe. District to confirm. Bracing required for equipment weighing more than 20 lb located 4 feet or more above the floor to mitigate seismic risk.
ME-2 In-Line Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment installed in line with a duct or piping system, with an operating weight more than 75 lb (34.0 kg), is supported and laterally braced independent of the duct or piping system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.5)				X	Did not observe. Bracing for heavy in-line equipment may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.

ME-3 Tall Narrow Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Equipment more than 6 ft (1.8 m) high with a height-to-depth or height-to-width ratio greater than 3-to-1 is anchored to the floor slab or adjacent structural walls. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.6)				X	Did not observe. District to confirm. Brace tops of tall narrow equipment taller than 6 feet to nearest backing wall, provide overturning base restraint.
ME-4 Mechanical Doors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Mechanically operated doors are detailed to operate at a story drift ratio of 0.01. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.7)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
ME-5 Suspended Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment suspended without lateral bracing is free to swing from or move with the structure from which it is suspended without damaging itself or adjoining components. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1, 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.8)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
ME-6 Vibration Isolators. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment mounted on vibration isolators is equipped with horizontal restraints or snubbers and with vertical restraints to resist overturning. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.9)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
ME-7 Heavy Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Floor supported or platform-supported equipment weighing more than 400 lb (181.4 kg) is anchored to the structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1, 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.10)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
ME-8 Electrical Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Electrical equipment is laterally braced to the structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.11)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
ME-9 Conduit Couplings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Conduit greater than 2.5 in. (64 mm) trade size that is attached to panels, cabinets, or other equipment and is subject to relative seismic displacement has flexible couplings or connections. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.12)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.

Piping

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
PP-1 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Fluid and gas piping has flexible couplings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.2)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
PP-2 Fluid and Gas Piping. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Fluid and gas piping is anchored and braced to the structure to limit spills or leaks. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.4)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
PP-3 C-Clamps. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	One-sided C-clamps that support piping larger than 2.5 in. (64 mm) in diameter are restrained. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.5)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

PP-4 Piping Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Piping that crosses seismic joints or isolation planes or is connected to independent structures has couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.6)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
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Ducts

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
D-1 Duct Bracing. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Rectangular ductwork larger than 6 ft ² (0.56 m ²) in cross-sectional area and round ducts larger than 28 in. (711 mm) in diameter are braced. The maximum spacing of transverse bracing does not exceed 30 ft (9.2 m). The maximum spacing of longitudinal bracing does not exceed 60 ft (18.3 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.2)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
D-2 Duct Support. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Ducts are not supported by piping or electrical conduit. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.3)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
D-3 Ducts Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Ducts that cross seismic joints or isolation planes or are connected to independent structures have couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.4)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.

Elevators

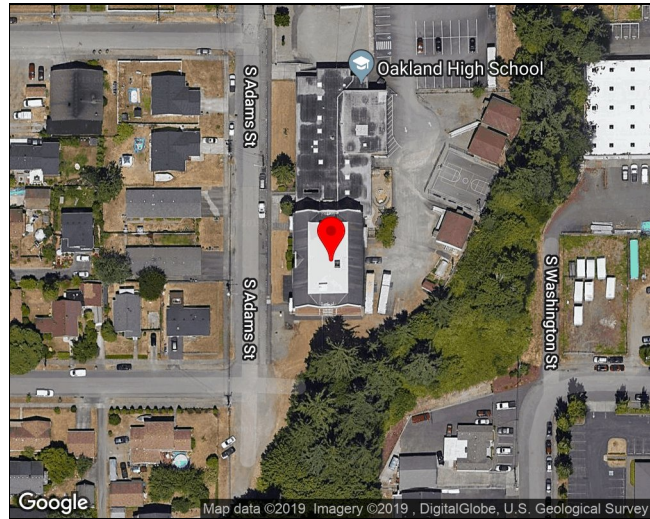
EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
EL-1 Retainer Guards. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Sheaves and drums have cable retainer guards. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.1)				X	Not detailed on drawings and did not observe. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
EL-2 Retainer Plate. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	A retainer plate is present at the top and bottom of both car and counterweight. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.2)				X	Not detailed on drawings and did not observe. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
EL-3 Elevator Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment, piping, and other components that are part of the elevator system are anchored. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.3)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
EL-4 Seismic Switch. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Elevators capable of operating at speeds of 150 ft/min or faster are equipped with seismic switches that meet the requirements of ASME A17.1 or have trigger levels set to 20% of the acceleration of gravity at the base of the structure and 50% of the acceleration of gravity in other locations. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.4)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.

EL-5 Shaft Walls. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Elevator shaft walls are anchored and reinforced to prevent toppling into the shaft during strong shaking. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.5)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
EL-6 Counterweight Rails. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	All counterweight rails and divider beams are sized in accordance with ASME A17.1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.6)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
EL-7 Brackets. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The brackets that tie the car rails and the counterweight rail to the structure are sized in accordance with ASME A17.1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.7)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
EL-8 Spreader Bracket. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Spreader brackets are not used to resist seismic forces. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.8)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.
EL-9 Go-Slow Elevators. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The building has a go-slow elevator system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.9)			X		Not required for life safety performance level.

1. Tacoma, Oakland High School, Main Building

1.1 Building Description

Building Name:	Main Building
Facility Name:	Oakland High School
District Name:	Tacoma
ICOS Latitude:	47.23
ICOS Longitude:	-122.486
ICOS	27010
County/District ID:	18694
ASCE 41 Bldg Type:	URM
Enrollment:	203
Gross Sq. Ft. :	41,575
Year Built:	1911
Number of Stories:	3
S _{XS} BSE-2E:	0.960
S _{X1} BSE-2E:	0.529
ASCE 41 Level of Seismicity:	High
Site Class:	C
V _{S30} (m/s):	458
Liquefaction Potential:	very low
Tsunami Risk:	Extremely Low
Structural Drawings Available:	No
Evaluating Firm:	BergerABAM/WSP



Oakland High School is a three-story daylight basement concrete and unreinforced masonry building constructed in 1911. Adjacent is an attached one-story (over basement) space constructed later (possibly in 1957). The approximate dimensions of the 1911 building are 98 feet x 62 feet. The walls above the basement are unreinforced masonry. The upper floor and roof construction is wood framing. Basement walls and the first floor are concrete construction.

1.1.1 Building Use

The school houses 203 students in a three-story masonry structure constructed in 1911 with a one-story annex structure (over basement) for Headstart, offices and other non-classroom space. The three-story section has a basement with a small gym space and mechanical rooms, the second and third floors are classrooms and offices.

1.1.2 Structural System

Table 1.1-1. Structural System Description of Oakland High School

Structural System	Description
Structural Roof	T&G decking supported on 2x wood rafters
Structural Floor(s)	Attic floor and second floor are constructed of wood framing with 2x joists. The floor over the basement consists of concrete slab and concrete beams.
Foundations	Shallow spread footings.
Gravity System	Masonry walls along the perimeter. Interior wood beams and columns.
Lateral System	URM shear walls with flexible wood diaphragms.

1.1.3 Structural System Visual Condition

Table 1.1-2. Structural System Condition Description of Oakland High School

Structural System	Description
Structural Roof	Good
Structural Floor(s)	Good
Foundations	Unknown
Gravity System	Appears good
Lateral System	Building condition is okay but lateral force resisting system upgrades are likely needed.

1.2 Seismic Evaluation Findings

1.2.1 Structural Seismic Deficiencies

The structural seismic deficiencies identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each deficiency is also provided based on this evaluation.

Table 1-3. Identified Structural Seismic Deficiencies for Tacoma Oakland High School Main Building

Deficiency	Description
Load Path	Drawings of original construction not available for review, but assumed to be noncompliant based on year of construction.
Adjacent Buildings	No joint between 1912 building and the newer building located north of the original building.
Overturning	With worst case base/height of 0.4, which is less than 0.632, overturning is a concern.
Shear Stress Check	Shear stress in the unreinforced masonry shear significantly exceeds 30 psi.
Wall Anchorage	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
Transfer to Shear Walls	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
Proportions	The height-to-thickness ratio of the shear walls are greater than the limits for both top story and the second story.
Openings at Shear Walls	Opening along the shear walls in the east-west direction is 40% of the shear walls at each end of the building.
Openings at Exterior Masonry Shear Walls	Opening along the shear walls in the east-west direction are 20 feet long at each end of the building.
Cross Ties	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
Spans	Attic floor has structural panels and is compliant. Roof diaphragm has straight sheathed diaphragm with 93 ft span and is non-compliant.

1.2.2 Structural Checklist Items Marked as 'U'nknown

Where building structural component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information or limited observation, the structural checklist items were marked as “unknown”. These items require further investigation if definitive determination of compliance or noncompliance is desired. The unknown structural checklist items identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each unknown item is also provided based on the evaluation.

Table 1-4. Identified Structural Checklist Items Marked as Unknown for Tacoma Oakland High School Main Building

Unknown Item	Description
Liquefaction	The liquefaction potential of site soils is unknown at this time given available information. Very low liquefaction potential is identified per ICOS based on state geologic mapping. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine liquefaction potential.
Slope Failure	The building is located on a sloping site. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine susceptibility to slope failure.
Surface Fault Rupture	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine whether site is near locations of expected surface fault ruptures.
Wood Ledgers	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations.
Girder-Column Connection	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations if wood girders are used in the building.
Masonry Layup	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations.
Stiffness of Wall Anchors	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
Beam	Girder, and Truss Supports, No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.

1.3.1 Nonstructural Seismic Deficiencies

The nonstructural seismic deficiencies identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each deficiency is also provided based on this evaluation. Some nonstructural deficiencies may be able to be mitigated by school district staff. Other nonstructural components that require more substantial mitigation may be more appropriately included in a long-term mitigation strategy. Some typical conceptual details for the seismic upgrade of nonstructural components can be found in the FEMA E-74 Excerpts appendix.

Table 1-5. Identified Nonstructural Seismic Deficiencies for Tacoma Oakland High School Main Building

Deficiency	Description
LSS-1 Fire Suppression Piping. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of construction. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
LSS-2 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No available record drawing information on fire suppression piping and unable to verify during site investigation. Based on age of the building, it is assumed the flexible couplings on the fire suppression piping do not comply with NFPA 13. Flexible coupling for fire suppression piping may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
LSS-3 Emergency Power. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Available record drawings do not have information on anchorage or bracing for emergency power equipment and could not verify during site investigation. Based on age of the building, emergency power equipment is either nonexistent or noncompliant. Evaluation of emergency power equipment may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
M-1 Ties. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction. Further investigation may be warranted to mitigate seismic risk.
MC-2 Anchorage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
S-1 Stair Enclosures. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
S-2 Stair Details. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
CF-2 Tall Narrow Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Observed some shelving and lockers in lower gym area that were not braced back to wall. Brace tops of shelving taller than 6 feet to nearest backing wall, provide overturning base restraint.
CF-3 Fall-Prone Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Did not see ties to wall for miscellaneous equipment in mechanical/boiler room. Water heater did have straps. Heavy items on upper shelves should be restrained by netting or cabling to avoid becoming falling hazards.
ME-1 Fall-Prone Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Did not see ties to wall for miscellaneous equipment in mechanical/boiler room. Water heater did have straps. Bracing required for equipment weighing more than 20 lb located 4 feet or more above the floor to mitigate seismic risk.
ME-3 Tall Narrow Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Did not see ties to wall for miscellaneous equipment in mechanical/boiler room. District to confirm. Brace tops of tall narrow equipment taller than 6 feet to nearest backing wall, provide overturning base restraint.

1.3.2 Nonstructural Checklist Items Marked as 'Unknown'

Where building nonstructural component seismic adequacy was unknown due to lack of available information or limited observation, the nonstructural checklist items were marked as “unknown”. These items require further investigation if definitive determination of compliance or noncompliance is desired. The unknown nonstructural checklist items identified during the Tier 1 evaluation are summarized below. Commentary for each unknown item is also provided based on the evaluation.

Some nonstructural deficiencies may be able to be mitigated by school district staff. Other nonstructural components that require more substantial mitigation may be more appropriately included in a long-term mitigation strategy. Some typical conceptual details for the seismic upgrade of nonstructural components can be found in the FEMA E-74 Excerpts appendix.

Table 1-6. Identified Nonstructural Checklist Items Marked as Unknown for Tacoma Oakland High School Main Building

Unknown Item	Description
LSS-5 Sprinkler Ceiling Clearance. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	No available record drawing information on sprinkler head clearance and unable to verify during site investigation. Further evaluation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
HM-2 Hazardous Material Storage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unknown whether the building has hazardous materials. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
HM-4 Shutoff Valves. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	It is unknown if there are shutoff valves for piping containing hazardous materials. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
P-1 Unreinforced Masonry. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unable to identify partition construction. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
P-2 Heavy Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unable to identify partition construction. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
LF-1 Independent Support. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of construction of latest remodeling. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
M-2 Shelf Angles. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
M-3 Weakened Planes. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction. Further investigation may be warranted to mitigate seismic risk.
M-4 Unreinforced Masonry Backup. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction. Further investigation may be warranted to mitigate seismic risk.
PCOA-2 Canopies. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Details of the canopy connection at entrances could not be visual verified during site visit. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
PCOA-4 Appendages. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
ME-2 In-Line Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations if any equipment installed in line with a duct or piping system, with an operating weight more than 75 lb exist in the building. Bracing for heavy in line equipment may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
EL-1 Retainer Guards. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	No information available. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
EL-2 Retainer Plate. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	No information available. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.

Photos:



Figure 1-1. South elevation



Figure 1-2. South-west corner of building



Figure 1-3. East elevation



Figure 1-4. North elevation



Figure 1-5. Strapping of chimney



Figure 1-6. North east corner of roof



Figure 1-7. Interior face of north-east wall gable



Figure 1-9. Attic - sill plate anchorage



Figure 1-10. Stairway - north-west corner

Tacoma, Oakland High School, Main Building

17-2 Collapse Prevention Basic Configuration Checklist

Building record drawings have been reviewed, when available, and a non-destructive field investigation has been performed for the subject building. Each of the required checklist items are marked Compliant (C), Noncompliant (NC), Not Applicable (N/A), or Unknown (U). Items marked Compliant indicate conditions that satisfy the performance objective, whereas items marked Noncompliant or Unknown indicate conditions that do not. Certain statements might not apply to the building being evaluated.

Low Seismicity

Building System - General

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Load Path	The structure contains a complete, well-defined load path, including structural elements and connections, that serves to transfer the inertial forces associated with the mass of all elements of the building to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.10)		X			Drawings of original construction not available for review, but assumed to be noncompliant based on year of construction.
Adjacent Buildings	The clear distance between the building being evaluated and any adjacent building is greater than 0.25% of the height of the shorter building in low seismicity, 0.5% in moderate seismicity, and 1.5% in high seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.2)		X			No joint between 1912 building and the newer building located north of the original building.
Mezzanines	Interior mezzanine levels are braced independently from the main structure or are anchored to the seismic-force-resisting elements of the main structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.2.1.3)			X		No mezzanine observed in building.

Building System - Building Configuration

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Weak Story	The sum of the shear strengths of the seismic-force-resisting system in any story in each direction is not less than 80% of the strength in the adjacent story above. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.1; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.2)	X				Shear strength of walls above the basement level are similar.
Soft Story	The stiffness of the seismic-force-resisting system in any story is not less than 70% of the seismic-force-resisting system stiffness in an adjacent story above or less than 80% of the average seismic-force-resisting system stiffness of the three stories above. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.2; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.3)	X				The stiffness of the shear walls above the basement level are similar.
Vertical Irregularities	All vertical elements in the seismic-force-resisting system are continuous to the foundation. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.3; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.4)	X				The shear walls are continuous from foundation to the roof.

Geometry	There are no changes in the net horizontal dimension of the seismic-force-resisting system of more than 30% in a story relative to adjacent stories, excluding one-story penthouses and mezzanines. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.4; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.5)	X				The shear walls fixed width from foundation to the roof.
Mass	There is no change in effective mass of more than 50% from one story to the next. Light roofs, penthouses, and mezzanines need not be considered. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.5; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.6)	X				The building is rectangular with consistent geometry through all three stories. Does not appear to be any change in effective mass from one story to the next above the basement level.
Torsion	The estimated distance between the story center of mass and the story center of rigidity is less than 20% of the building width in either plan dimension. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.2.6; Commentary: Sec. A.2.2.7)	X				It is assumed that due to the symmetric nature of the building that the center of mass and the center of rigidity are similar to one another.

Moderate Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low Seismicity)

Geologic Site Hazards

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Liquefaction	Liquefaction-susceptible, saturated, loose granular soils that could jeopardize the building's seismic performance do not exist in the foundation soils at depths within 50 ft (15.2 m) under the building. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.1)				X	The liquefaction potential of site soils is unknown at this time given available information. Very low liquefaction potential is identified per ICOS based on state geologic mapping. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine liquefaction potential.
Slope Failure	The building site is located away from potential earthquake-induced slope failures or rockfalls so that it is unaffected by such failures or is capable of accommodating any predicted movements without failure. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.2)				X	The building is located on a sloping site. Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine susceptibility to slope failure.
Surface Fault Rupture	Surface fault rupture and surface displacement at the building site are not anticipated. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.1; Commentary: Sec. A.6.1.3)				X	Requires further investigation by a licensed geotechnical engineer to determine whether site is near locations of expected surface fault ruptures.

High Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low and Moderate Seismicity)

Foundation Configuration

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Overturning	The ratio of the least horizontal dimension of the seismic-force-resisting system at the foundation level to the building height (base/height) is greater than 0.6Sa. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.3; Commentary: Sec. A.6.2.1)		X			With worst case base/height of 0.4, which is less than 0.632, overturning is a concern.
Ties Between Foundation Elements	The foundation has ties adequate to resist seismic forces where footings, piles, and piers are not restrained by beams, slabs, or soils classified as Site Class A, B, or C. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.4.3.4; Commentary: Sec. A.6.2.2)	X				All footings are restrained by the slab-on-grade.

17-36 Collapse Prevention Structural Checklist for Building Types URM and URMa

Building record drawings have been reviewed, when available, and a non-destructive field investigation has been performed for the subject building. Each of the required checklist items are marked Compliant (C), Noncompliant (NC), Not Applicable (N/A), or Unknown (U). Items marked Compliant indicate conditions that satisfy the performance objective, whereas items marked Noncompliant or Unknown indicate conditions that do not. Certain statements might not apply to the building being evaluated.

Low and Moderate Seismicity

Seismic-Force-Resisting System

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Redundancy	The number of lines of shear walls in each principal direction is greater than or equal to 2. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.1.1)	X				At least two lines of shear walls in each principal direction.
Shear Stress Check	The shear stress in the unreinforced masonry shear walls, calculated using the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.3, is less than 30 lb/in.2 (0.21 MPa) for clay units and 70 lb/in.2 (0.48 MPa) for concrete units. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.5.1)		X			Shear stress in the unreinforced masonry shear significantly exceeds 30 psi.

Connections

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Wall Anchorage	Exterior concrete or masonry walls that are dependent on the diaphragm for lateral support are anchored for out-of-plane forces at each diaphragm level with steel anchors, reinforcing dowels, or straps that are developed into the diaphragm. Connections have strength to resist the connection force calculated in the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.7. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.1.1; Commentary: Sec. A.5.1.1)		X			No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
Wood Ledgers	The connection between the wall panels and the diaphragm does not induce cross-grain bending or tension in the wood ledgers. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.5.1.2)				X	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations.
Transfer to Shear Walls	Diaphragms are connected for transfer of seismic forces to the shear walls. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.2; Commentary: Sec. A.5.2.1)		X			No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.

Girder-Column Connection	There is a positive connection using plates, connection hardware, or straps between the girder and the column support. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.4.1; Commentary: Sec. A.5.4.1)				X	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations if wood girders are used in the building.
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High Seismicity (Complete the Following Items in Addition to the Items for Low and Moderate Seismicity)

Seismic-Force-Resisting System

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Proportions	The height-to-thickness ratio of the shear walls at each story is less than the following: Top story of multi-story building – 9; First story of multi-story building – 15; All other conditions – 13. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.5.2)		X			The height-to-thickness ratio of the shear walls are greater than the limits for both top story and the second story.
Masonry Layup	Filled collar joints of multi-wythe masonry walls have negligible voids. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.5.3.4.1; Commentary: Sec. A.3.2.5.3)				X	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations.

Diaphragms (Stiff or Flexible)

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Openings at Shear Walls	Diaphragm openings immediately adjacent to the shear walls are less than 25% of the wall length. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.4)		X			Opening along the shear walls in the east-west direction is 40% of the shear walls at each end of the building.
Openings at Exterior Masonry Shear Walls	Diaphragm openings immediately adjacent to exterior masonry shear walls are not greater than 8 ft (2.4 m) long. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.3; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.6)		X			Opening along the shear walls in the east-west direction are 20 feet long at each end of the building.

Flexible Diaphragms

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Cross Ties	There are continuous cross ties between diaphragm chords. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.1.2)		X			No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
Straight Sheathing	All straight-sheathed diaphragms have aspect ratios less than 2-to-1 in the direction being considered. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.1)	X				Roof diaphragm has aspect ratio of 1.5

Spans	All wood diaphragms with spans greater than 24 ft (7.3 m) consist of wood structural panels or diagonal sheathing. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.2)		X			Attic floor has structural panels and is compliant. Roof diaphragm has straight sheathed diaphragm with 93 ft span and is non-compliant.
Diagonally Sheathed and Unblocked Diaphragms	All diagonally sheathed or unblocked wood structural panel diaphragms have horizontal spans less than 40 ft (12.2 m) and aspect ratios less than or equal to 4 to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.4.2.3)			X		
Other Diaphragms	The diaphragms do not consist of a system other than wood, metal deck, concrete, or horizontal bracing. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.4.7.1)	X				

Connections

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
Stiffness of Wall Anchors	Anchors of concrete or masonry walls to wood structural elements are installed taut and are stiff enough to limit the relative movement between the wall and the diaphragm to no greater than 1/8 in. before engagement of the anchors. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.5.1.4)				X	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
Beam, Girder, and Truss Supports	Beams, girders, and trusses supported by unreinforced masonry walls or pilasters have independent secondary columns for support of vertical loads. (Tier 2: Sec. 5.7.4.4; Commentary: Sec. A.5.4.5)				X	No drawings of original construction are available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.

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Notes:

C = Compliant, NC = Noncompliant, N/A = Not Applicable, and U = Unknown.

Performance Level: HR = Hazards Reduced, LS = Life Safety, and PR = Position Retention.

Level of Seismicity: L = Low, M = Moderate, and H = High

Life Safety Systems

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
LSS-1 Fire Suppression Piping. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Fire suppression piping is anchored and braced in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.1)		X			No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of construction. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
LSS-2 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Fire suppression piping has flexible couplings in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.2)		X			No available record drawing information on fire suppression piping and unable to verify during site investigation. Based on age of the building, it is assumed the flexible couplings on the fire suppression piping do not comply with NFPA 13. Flexible coupling for fire suppression piping may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
LSS-3 Emergency Power. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Equipment used to power or control Life Safety systems is anchored or braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.1)		X			Available record drawings do not have information on anchorage or bracing for emergency power equipment and could not verify during site investigation. Based on age of the building, emergency power equipment is either nonexistent or noncompliant. Evaluation of emergency power equipment may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.

LSS-4 Stair and Smoke Ducts. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Stair pressurization and smoke control ducts are braced and have flexible connections at seismic joints. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.1)			X		No enclosed stairs.
LSS-5 Sprinkler Ceiling Clearance. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Penetrations through panelized ceilings for fire suppression devices provide clearances in accordance with NFPA-13. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.3)				X	No available record drawing information on sprinkler head clearance and unable to verify during site investigation. Further evaluation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
LSS-6 Emergency Lighting. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-LMH	Emergency and egress lighting equipment is anchored or braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.1)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Hazardous Materials

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
HM-1 Hazardous Material Equipment. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Equipment mounted on vibration isolators and containing hazardous material is equipped with restraints or snubbers. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.2)			X		Did not observe equipment containing hazardous materials mounted on vibration isolators. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
HM-2 Hazardous Material Storage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Breakable containers that hold hazardous material, including gas cylinders, are restrained by latched doors, shelf lips, wires, or other methods. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.3; Commentary: Sec. A.7.15.1)				X	Unknown whether the building has hazardous materials. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
HM-3 Hazardous Material Distribution. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping or ductwork conveying hazardous materials is braced or otherwise protected from damage that would allow hazardous material release. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.4)			X		Did not observe any piping or ductwork conveying hazardous materials.
HM-4 Shutoff Valves. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping containing hazardous material, including natural gas, has shutoff valves or other devices to limit spills or leaks. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.3)				X	It is unknown if there are shutoff valves for piping containing hazardous materials. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
HM-5 Flexible Couplings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Hazardous material ductwork and piping, including natural gas piping, have flexible couplings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.15.4)			X		Did not observe any piping or ductwork conveying hazardous materials .

HM-6 Piping or Ducts Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Piping or ductwork carrying hazardous material that either crosses seismic joints or isolation planes or is connected to independent structures has couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5, 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.6)			X		Did not observe any piping or ductwork conveying hazardous materials .
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Partitions

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
P-1 Unreinforced Masonry. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unreinforced masonry or hollow-clay tile partitions are braced at a spacing of at most 10 ft (3.0 m) in Low or Moderate Seismicity, or at most 6 ft (1.8 m) in High Seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.1)				X	Unable to identify partition construction. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
P-2 Heavy Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The tops of masonry or hollow-clay tile partitions are not laterally supported by an integrated ceiling system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.1)				X	Unable to identify partition construction. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
P-3 Drift. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Rigid cementitious partitions are detailed to accommodate the following drift ratios: in steel moment frame, concrete moment frame, and wood frame buildings, 0.02; in other buildings, 0.005. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.2)			X		No unreinforced masonry or hollow-clay tile partitions observed in building.
P-4 Light Partitions Supported by Ceilings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The tops of gypsum board partitions are not laterally supported by an integrated ceiling system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.1)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
P-5 Structural Separations. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Partitions that cross structural separations have seismic or control joints. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.3)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
P-6 Tops. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The tops of ceiling-high framed or panelized partitions have lateral bracing to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft (1.8 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.1.4)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Ceilings

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
C-1 Suspended Lath and Plaster. HR-H; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Suspended lath and plaster ceilings have attachments that resist seismic forces for every 12 ft ² (1.1 m ²) of area. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.3)			X		No suspended lath and plaster ceilings observed.
C-2 Suspended Gypsum Board. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Suspended gypsum board ceilings have attachments that resist seismic forces for every 12 ft ² (1.1 m ²) of area. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.3)			X		No gypsum board ceilings observed in building.

C-3 Integrated Ceilings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) and ceilings of smaller areas that are not surrounded by restraining partitions are laterally restrained at a spacing no greater than 12 ft (3.6 m) with members attached to the structure above. Each restraint location has a minimum of four diagonal wires and compression struts, or diagonal members capable of resisting compression. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.2)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
C-4 Edge Clearance. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The free edges of integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) have clearances from the enclosing wall or partition of at least the following: in Moderate Seismicity, 1/2 in. (13 mm); in High Seismicity, 3/4 in. (19 mm). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.4)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
C-5 Continuity Across Structure Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	The ceiling system does not cross any seismic joint and is not attached to multiple independent structures. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.5)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
C-6 Edge Support. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The free edges of integrated suspended ceilings with continuous areas greater than 144 ft ² (13.4 m ²) are supported by closure angles or channels not less than 2 in. (51 mm) wide. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4 ; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.6)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
C-7 Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Acoustical tile or lay-in panel ceilings have seismic separation joints such that each continuous portion of the ceiling is no more than 2,500 ft ² (232.3 m ²) and has a ratio of long-to-short dimension no more than 4-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.2.7)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Light Fixtures

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
LF-1 Independent Support. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Light fixtures that weigh more per square foot than the ceiling they penetrate are supported independent of the grid ceiling suspension system by a minimum of two wires at diagonally opposite corners of each fixture. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.4, 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.2)				X	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of construction of latest remodeling. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.

LF-2 Pendant Supports. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Light fixtures on pendant supports are attached at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft. Unbraced suspended fixtures are free to allow a 360-degree range of motion at an angle not less than 45 degrees from horizontal without contacting adjacent components. Alternatively, if rigidly supported and/or braced, they are free to move with the structure to which they are attached without damaging adjoining components. Additionally, the connection to the structure is capable of accommodating the movement without failure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.3)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
LF-3 Lens Covers. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Lens covers on light fixtures are attached with safety devices. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.3.4)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Cladding and Glazing

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
CG-1 Cladding Anchors. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Cladding components weighing more than 10 lb/ft ² (0.48 kN/m ²) are mechanically anchored to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 6 ft (1.8 m); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 4 ft (1.2 m) (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.1)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.
CG-2 Cladding Isolation. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For steel or concrete moment-frame buildings, panel connections are detailed to accommodate a story drift ratio by the use of rods attached to framing with oversize holes or slotted holes of at least the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 0.01; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 0.02, and the rods have a length-to-diameter ratio of 4.0 or less. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.3)			X		The building is not a steel or concrete moment-frame building.
CG-3 Multi-Story Panels. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For multi-story panels attached at more than one floor level, panel connections are detailed to accommodate a story drift ratio by the use of rods attached to framing with oversize holes or slotted holes of at least the following: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 0.01; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 0.02, and the rods have a length-to-diameter ratio of 4.0 or less. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.4)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.

CG-4 Threaded Rods. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Threaded rods for panel connections detailed to accommodate drift by bending of the rod have a length-to-diameter ratio greater than 0.06 times the story height in inches for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity and 0.12 times the story height in inches for Life Safety in High Seismicity and Position Retention in any seismicity. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.9)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.
CG-5 Panel Connections. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Cladding panels are anchored out of plane with a minimum number of connections for each wall panel, as follows: for Life Safety in Moderate Seismicity, 2 connections; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 4 connections. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.5)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.
CG-6 Bearing Connections. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Where bearing connections are used, there is a minimum of two bearing connections for each cladding panel. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.6)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.
CG-7 Inserts. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Where concrete cladding components use inserts, the inserts have positive anchorage or are anchored to reinforcing steel. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.4; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.7)			X		The building does not have any exterior cladding components.
CG-8 Overhead Glazing. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Glazing panes of any size in curtain walls and individual interior or exterior panes more than 16 ft ² (1.5 m ²) in area are laminated annealed or laminated heat-strengthened glass and are detailed to remain in the frame when cracked. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.4.8)			X		The building does not have any glazing panes.

Masonry Veneer

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
M-1 Ties. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is connected to the backup with corrosion-resistant ties. There is a minimum of one tie for every 2-2/3 ft ² (0.25 m ²), and the ties have spacing no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 36 in. (914 mm); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 24 in. (610 mm). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.1)		X			No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction. Further investigation may be warranted to mitigate seismic risk.

M-2 Shelf Angles. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is supported by shelf angles or other elements at each floor above the ground floor. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.2)				X	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
M-3 Weakened Planes. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry veneer is anchored to the backup adjacent to weakened planes, such as at the locations of flashing. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.3)				X	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction. Further investigation may be warranted to mitigate seismic risk.
M-4 Unreinforced Masonry Backup. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	There is no unreinforced masonry backup. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.7.2)				X	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction. Further investigation may be warranted to mitigate seismic risk.
M-5 Stud Tracks. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For veneer with coldformed steel stud backup, stud tracks are fastened to the structure at a spacing equal to or less than 24 in. (610 mm) on center. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.6.)				X	No steel stud backup in building based on year of construction.
M-6 Anchorage. HR-not required; LS-MH; PR-MH.	For veneer with concrete block or masonry backup, the backup is positively anchored to the structure at a horizontal spacing equal to or less than 4 ft along the floors and roof. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.7.1)				X	No concrete block or masonry backup in building based on year of construction.
M-7 Weep Holes. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	In veneer anchored to stud walls, the veneer has functioning weep holes and base flashing. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.5.6)				X	Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
M-8 Openings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	For veneer with cold-formed-steel stud backup, steel studs frame window and door openings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.1.1, 13.6.1.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.6.2)				X	Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Parapets, Cornices, Ornamentation, and Appendages

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
PCOA-1 URM Parapets or Cornices. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Laterally unsupported unreinforced masonry parapets or cornices have height-to-thickness ratios no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 2.5; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 1.5. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.1)			X		Parapet walls appear to be relatively short. Measurements were not done
PCOA-2 Canopies. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Canopies at building exits are anchored to the structure at a spacing no greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 10 ft (3.0 m); for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 6 ft (1.8 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.2)				X	Details of the canopy connection at entrances could not be visual verified during site visit. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
PCOA-3 Concrete Parapets. HR-H; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Concrete parapets with height-to-thickness ratios greater than 2.5 have vertical reinforcement. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.3)			X		No concrete parapets observed.
PCOA-4 Appendages. HR-MH; LS-MH; PR-LMH.	Cornices, parapets, signs, and other ornamentation or appendages that extend above the highest point of anchorage to the structure or cantilever from components are reinforced and anchored to the structural system at a spacing equal to or less than 6 ft (1.8 m). This evaluation statement item does not apply to parapets or cornices covered by other evaluation statements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.8.4)				X	Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.

Masonry Chimneys

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
MC-1 URM Chimneys. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Unreinforced masonry chimneys extend above the roof surface no more than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 3 times the least dimension of the chimney; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 2 times the least dimension of the chimney. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.9.1)	X				Aspect ratio estimated to be 1-to-1.
MC-2 Anchorage. HR-LMH; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Masonry chimneys are anchored at each floor level, at the topmost ceiling level, and at the roof. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.9.2)		X			No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.

Stairs

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
S-1 Stair Enclosures. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	Hollow-clay tile or unreinforced masonry walls around stair enclosures are restrained out of plane and have height-to-thickness ratios not greater than the following: for Life Safety in Low or Moderate Seismicity, 15-to-1; for Life Safety in High Seismicity and for Position Retention in any seismicity, 12-to-1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.2, 13.6.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.10.1)		X			No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.
S-2 Stair Details. HR-not required; LS-LMH; PR-LMH.	The connection between the stairs and the structure does not rely on post-installed anchors in concrete or masonry, and the stair details are capable of accommodating the drift calculated using the Quick Check procedure of Section 4.4.3.1 for moment-frame structures or 0.5 in. for all other structures without including any lateral stiffness contribution from the stairs. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.10.2)		X			No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations, but assumed to be noncompliant due to year of original construction.

Contents and Furnishings

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
CF-1 Industrial Storage Racks. HR-LMH; LS-MH; PR-MH.	Industrial storage racks or pallet racks more than 12 ft high meet the requirements of ANSI/RMI MH 16.1 as modified by ASCE 7, Chapter 15. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.1)			X		Does not appear that there are any industrial storage racks taller than 12 feet in the building.
CF-2 Tall Narrow Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Contents more than 6 ft (1.8 m) high with a height-to-depth or height-to-width ratio greater than 3-to-1 are anchored to the structure or to each other. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.2)		X			Observed some shelving and lockers in lower gym area that were not braced back to wall. Brace tops of shelving taller than 6 feet to nearest backing wall, provide overturning base restraint.
CF-3 Fall-Prone Contents. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment, stored items, or other contents weighing more than 20 lb (9.1 kg) whose center of mass is more than 4 ft (1.2 m) above the adjacent floor level are braced or otherwise restrained. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.3)		X			Did not see ties to wall for miscellaneous equipment in mechanical/boiler room. Water heater did have straps. Heavy items on upper shelves should be restrained by netting or cabling to avoid becoming falling hazards.
CF-4 Access Floors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Access floors more than 9 in. (229 mm) high are braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.10; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.4)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

CF-5 Equipment on Access Floors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Equipment and other contents supported by access floor systems are anchored or braced to the structure independent of the access floor. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7 13.6.10; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.5)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
CF-6 Suspended Contents. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Items suspended without lateral bracing are free to swing from or move with the structure from which they are suspended without damaging themselves or adjoining components. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.8.2; Commentary: Sec. A.7.11.6)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Mechanical and Electrical Equipment

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
ME-1 Fall-Prone Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment weighing more than 20 lb (9.1 kg) whose center of mass is more than 4 ft (1.2 m) above the adjacent floor level, and which is not in-line equipment, is braced. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.4)		X			Did not see ties to wall for miscellaneous equipment in mechanical/boiler room. Water heater did have straps. Bracing required for equipment weighing more than 20 lb located 4 feet or more above the floor to mitigate seismic risk.
ME-2 In-Line Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Equipment installed in line with a duct or piping system, with an operating weight more than 75 lb (34.0 kg), is supported and laterally braced independent of the duct or piping system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.5)				X	No drawings available and could not tell from field visit observations if any equipment installed in line with a duct or piping system, with an operating weight more than 75 lb exist in the building. Bracing for heavy in line equipment may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
ME-3 Tall Narrow Equipment. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-MH.	Equipment more than 6 ft (1.8 m) high with a height-to-depth or height-to-width ratio greater than 3-to-1 is anchored to the floor slab or adjacent structural walls. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.6)		X			Did not see ties to wall for miscellaneous equipment in mechanical/boiler room. District to confirm. Brace tops of tall narrow equipment taller than 6 feet to nearest backing wall, provide overturning base restraint.
ME-4 Mechanical Doors. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-MH.	Mechanically operated doors are detailed to operate at a story drift ratio of 0.01. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.6.9; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.7)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

ME-5 Suspended Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment suspended without lateral bracing is free to swing from or move with the structure from which it is suspended without damaging itself or adjoining components. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1, 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.8)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
ME-6 Vibration Isolators. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment mounted on vibration isolators is equipped with horizontal restraints or snubbers and with vertical restraints to resist overturning. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.9)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
ME-7 Heavy Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Floor supported or platform-supported equipment weighing more than 400 lb (181.4 kg) is anchored to the structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.1, 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.10)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
ME-8 Electrical Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Electrical equipment is laterally braced to the structure. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.7; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.11)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
ME-9 Conduit Couplings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Conduit greater than 2.5 in. (64 mm) trade size that is attached to panels, cabinets, or other equipment and is subject to relative seismic displacement has flexible couplings or connections. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.8; Commentary: Sec. A.7.12.12)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Piping

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
PP-1 Flexible Couplings. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Fluid and gas piping has flexible couplings. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.2)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
PP-2 Fluid and Gas Piping. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Fluid and gas piping is anchored and braced to the structure to limit spills or leaks. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.4)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
PP-3 C-Clamps. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	One-sided C-clamps that support piping larger than 2.5 in. (64 mm) in diameter are restrained. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.5)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
PP-4 Piping Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Piping that crosses seismic joints or isolation planes or is connected to independent structures has couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.3, 13.7.5; Commentary: Sec. A.7.13.6)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Ducts

EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
D-1 Duct Bracing. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Rectangular ductwork larger than 6 ft ² (0.56 m ²) in cross-sectional area and round ducts larger than 28 in. (711 mm) in diameter are braced. The maximum spacing of transverse bracing does not exceed 30 ft (9.2 m). The maximum spacing of longitudinal bracing does not exceed 60 ft (18.3 m). (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.2)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
D-2 Duct Support. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Ducts are not supported by piping or electrical conduit. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.3)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
D-3 Ducts Crossing Seismic Joints. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Ducts that cross seismic joints or isolation planes or are connected to independent structures have couplings or other details to accommodate the relative seismic displacements. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.6; Commentary: Sec. A.7.14.4)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

Elevators

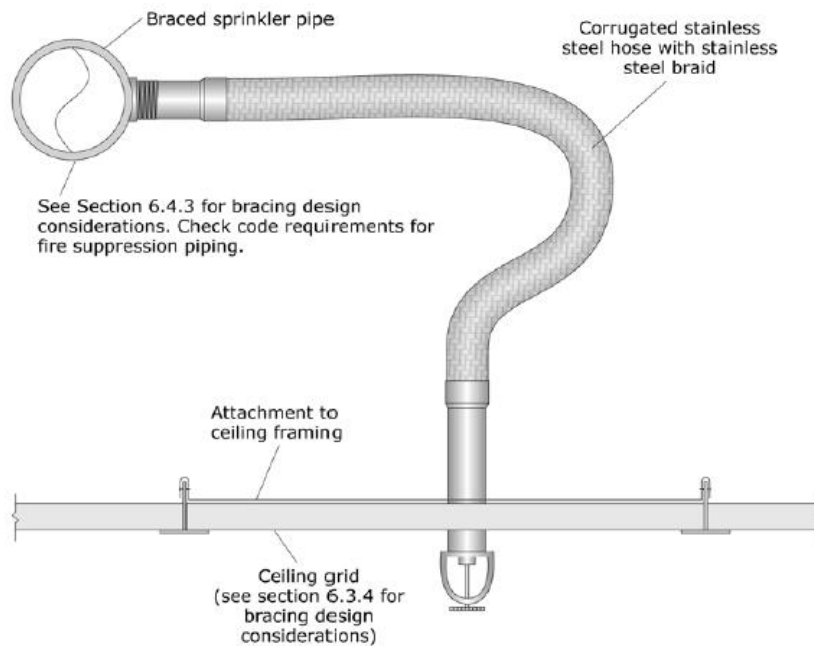
EVALUATION ITEM	EVALUATION STATEMENT	C	NC	N/A	U	COMMENT
EL-1 Retainer Guards. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	Sheaves and drums have cable retainer guards. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.1)				X	No information available. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
EL-2 Retainer Plate. HR-not required; LS-H; PR-H.	A retainer plate is present at the top and bottom of both car and counterweight. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.2)				X	No information available. Further investigation may be appropriate to mitigate seismic risk.
EL-3 Elevator Equipment. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Equipment, piping, and other components that are part of the elevator system are anchored. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.3)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
EL-4 Seismic Switch. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Elevators capable of operating at speeds of 150 ft/min or faster are equipped with seismic switches that meet the requirements of ASME A17.1 or have trigger levels set to 20% of the acceleration of gravity at the base of the structure and 50% of the acceleration of gravity in other locations. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.4)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
EL-5 Shaft Walls. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Elevator shaft walls are anchored and reinforced to prevent toppling into the shaft during strong shaking. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.5)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
EL-6 Counterweight Rails. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	All counterweight rails and divider beams are sized in accordance with ASME A17.1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.6)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

EL-7 Brackets. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The brackets that tie the car rails and the counterweight rail to the structure are sized in accordance with ASME A17.1. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.7)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
EL-8 Spreader Bracket. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	Spreader brackets are not used to resist seismic forces. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.8)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level
EL-9 Go-Slow Elevators. HR-not required; LS-not required; PR-H.	The building has a go-slow elevator system. (Tier 2: Sec. 13.7.11; Commentary: Sec. A.7.16.9)			X		Not required for Life Safety Performance Level

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Life Safety Systems



Note: for seismic design category D, E & F, the flexible sprinkler hose fitting must accommodate at least 1" of ceiling movement without use of an oversized opening. Alternatively, the sprinkler head must have a 2" oversize ring or adapter that allows 1" movement in all directions.

Figure G-1. Flexible Sprinkler Drop.

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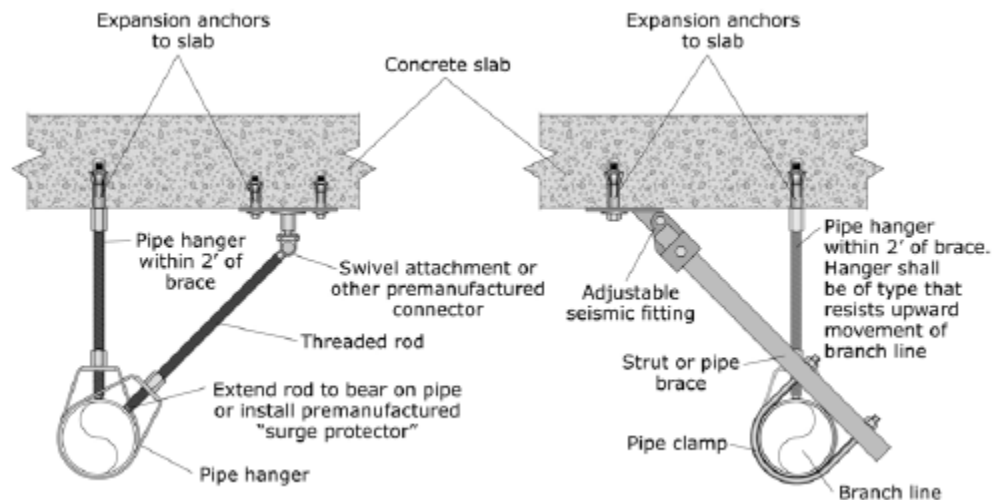


Figure G-2. End of Line Restraint.

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Partitions

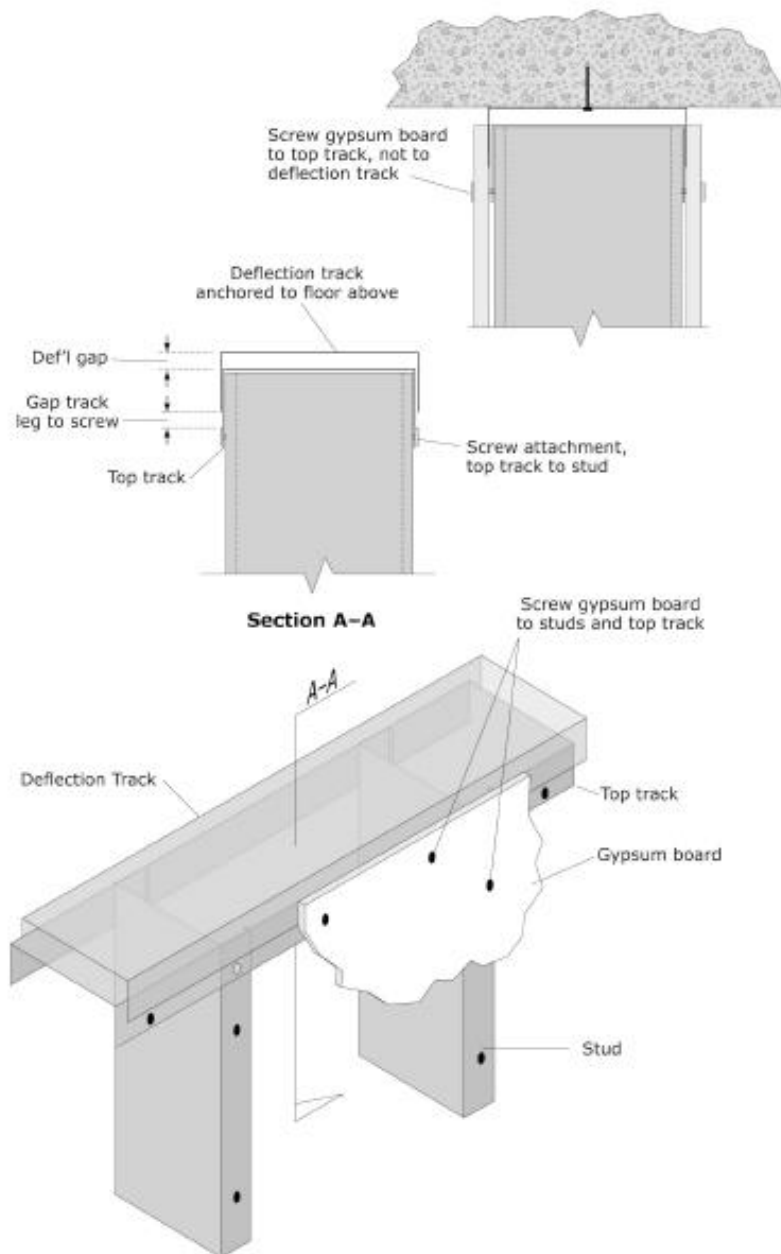


Figure G-3. Mitigation Schemes for Bracing the Tops of Metal Stud Partitions Walls.
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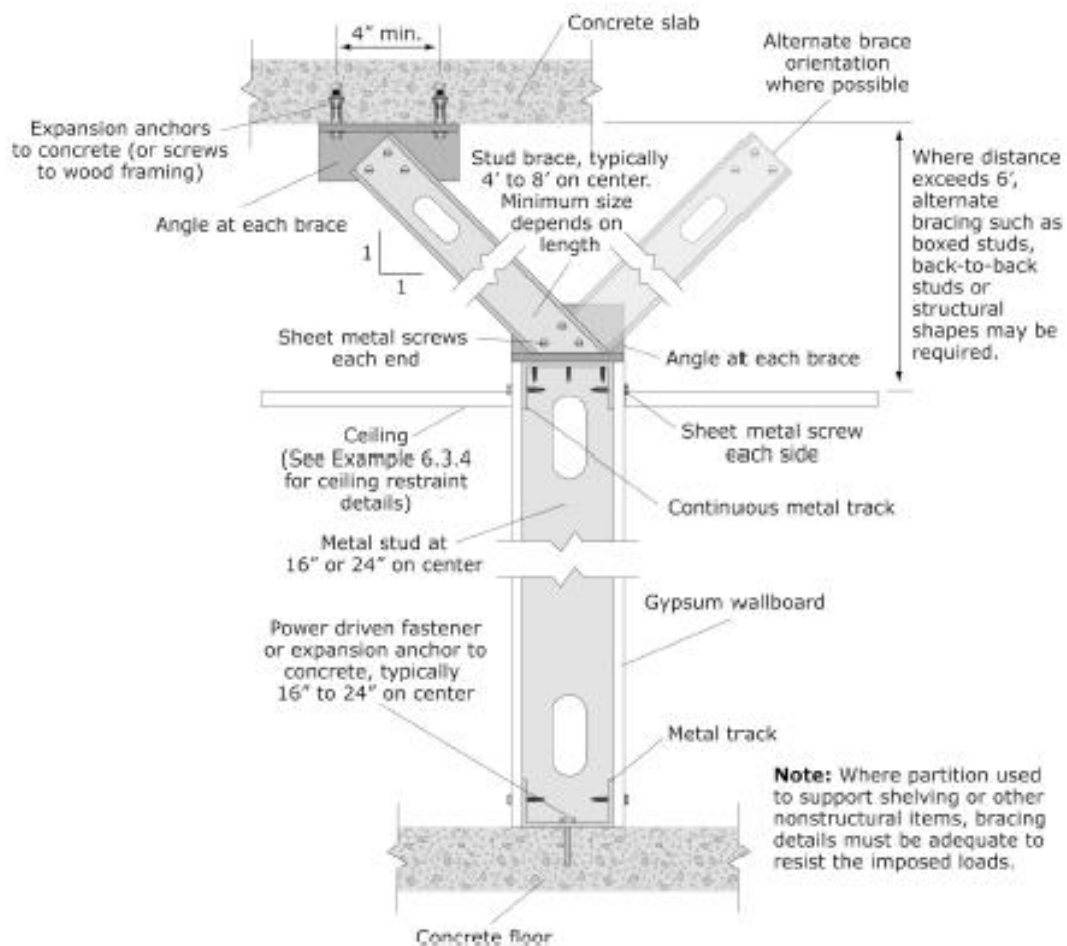


Figure G-4. Mitigation Schemes for Bracing the Tops of Metal Stud Partitions Walls.
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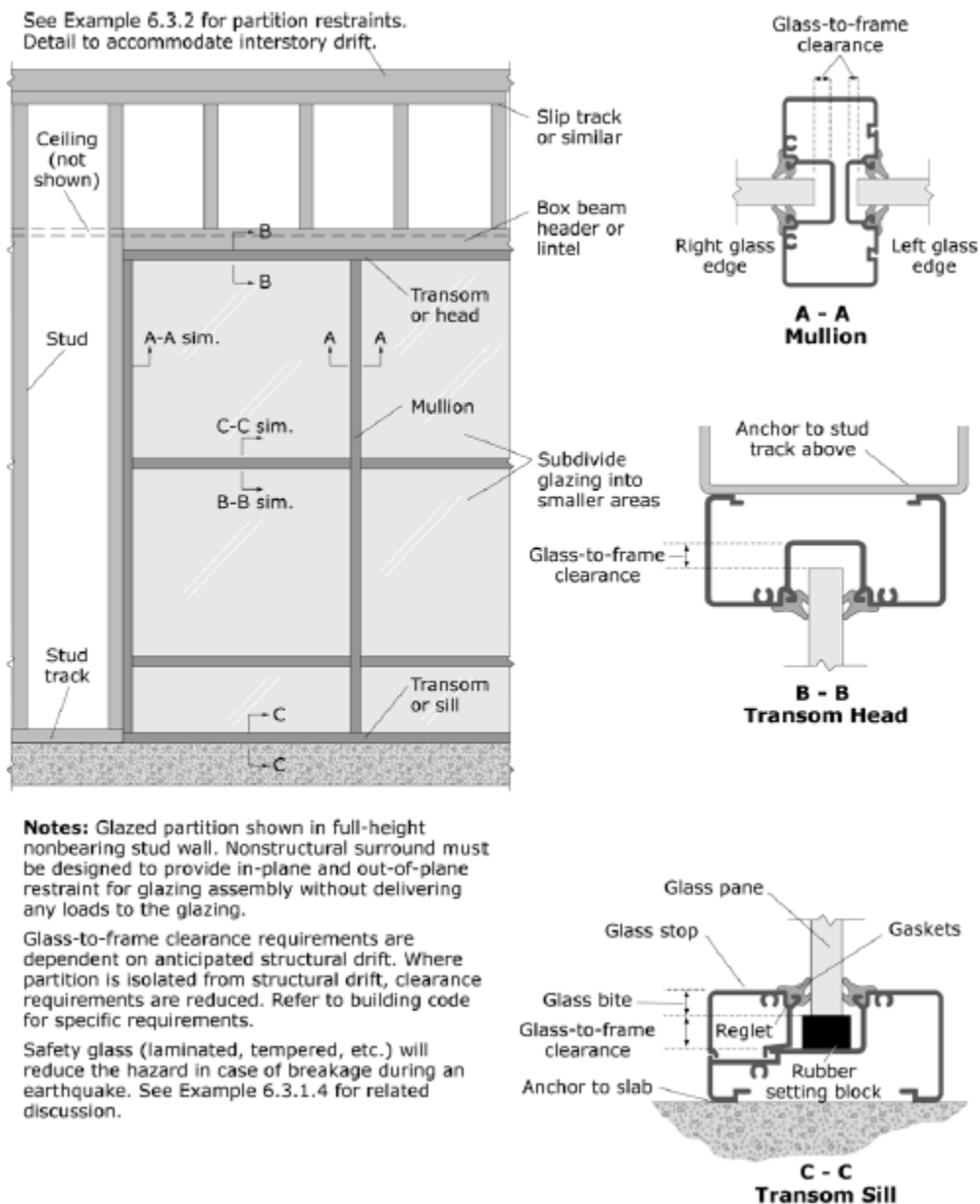


Figure G-5. Full-height Glazed Partition.
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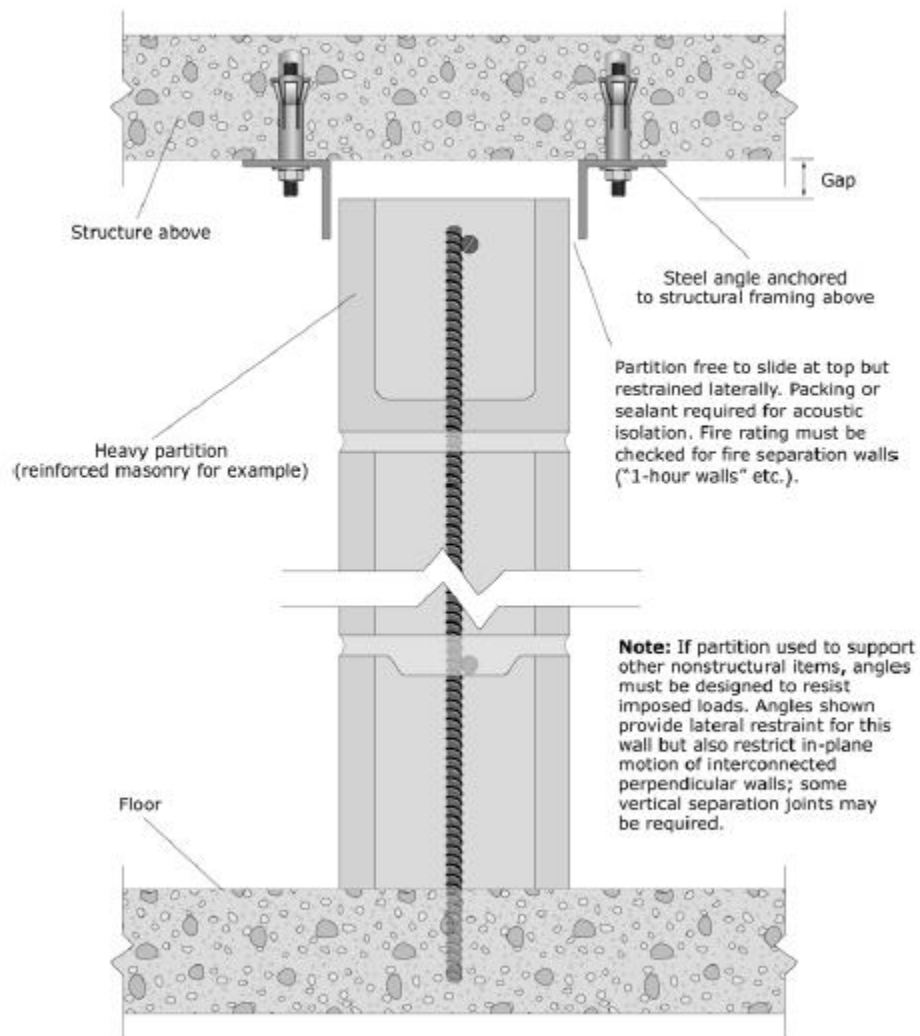


Figure G-6. Full-height Heavy Partition.
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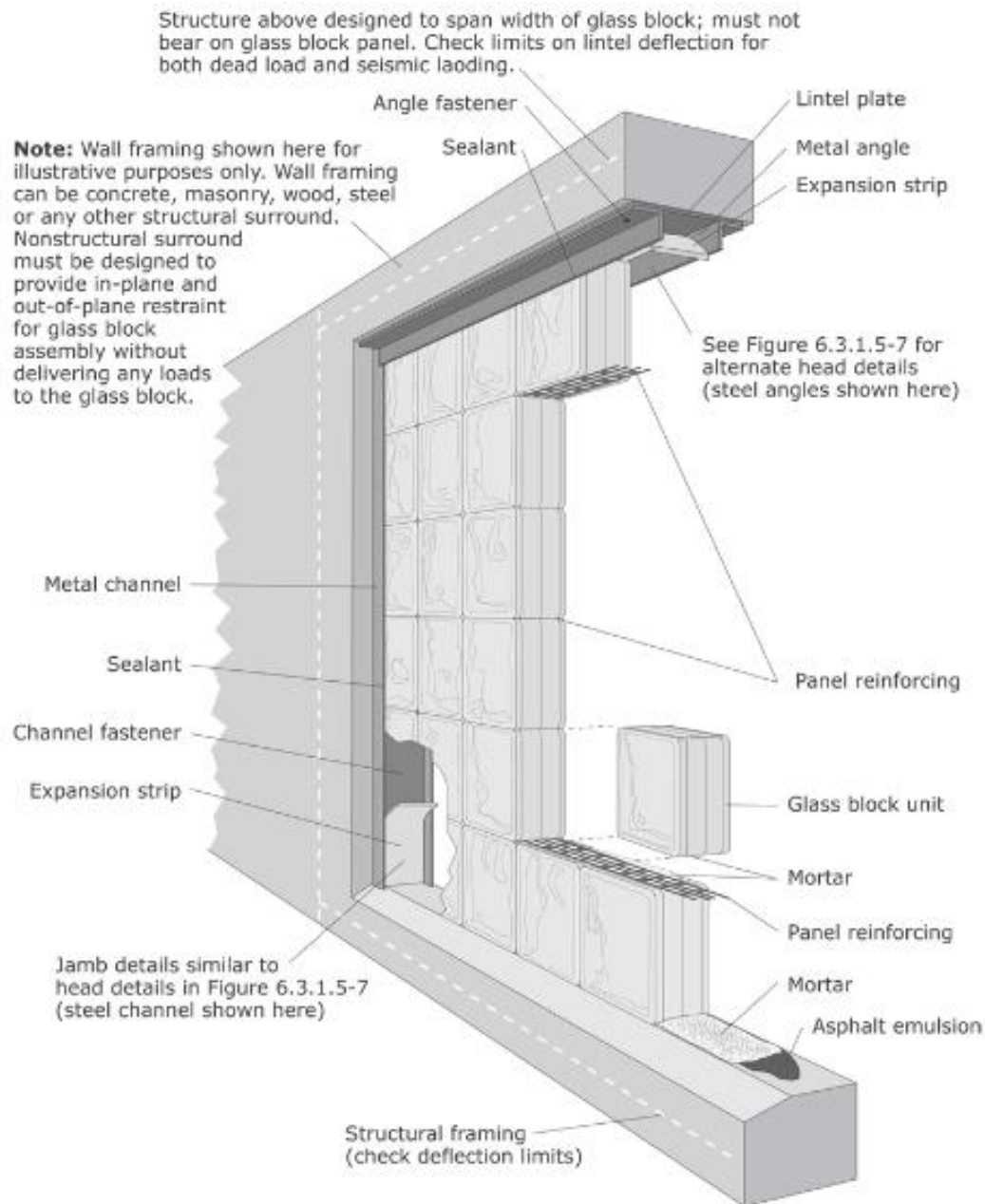


Figure G-7. Typical Glass Block Panel Details.
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Ceilings

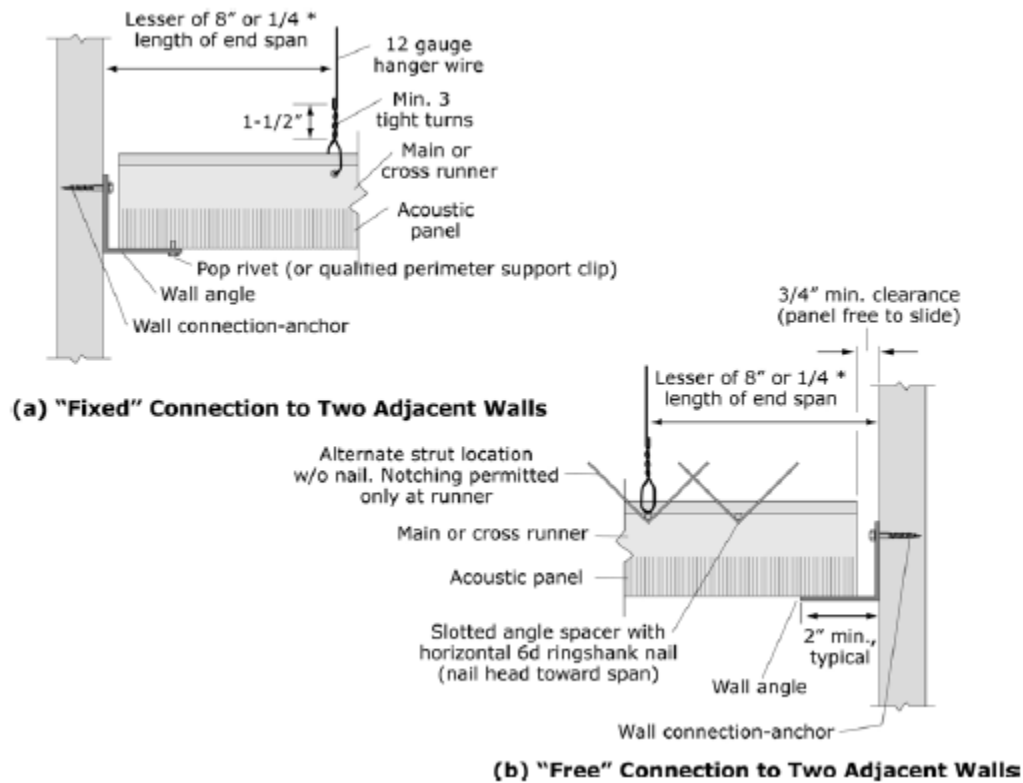
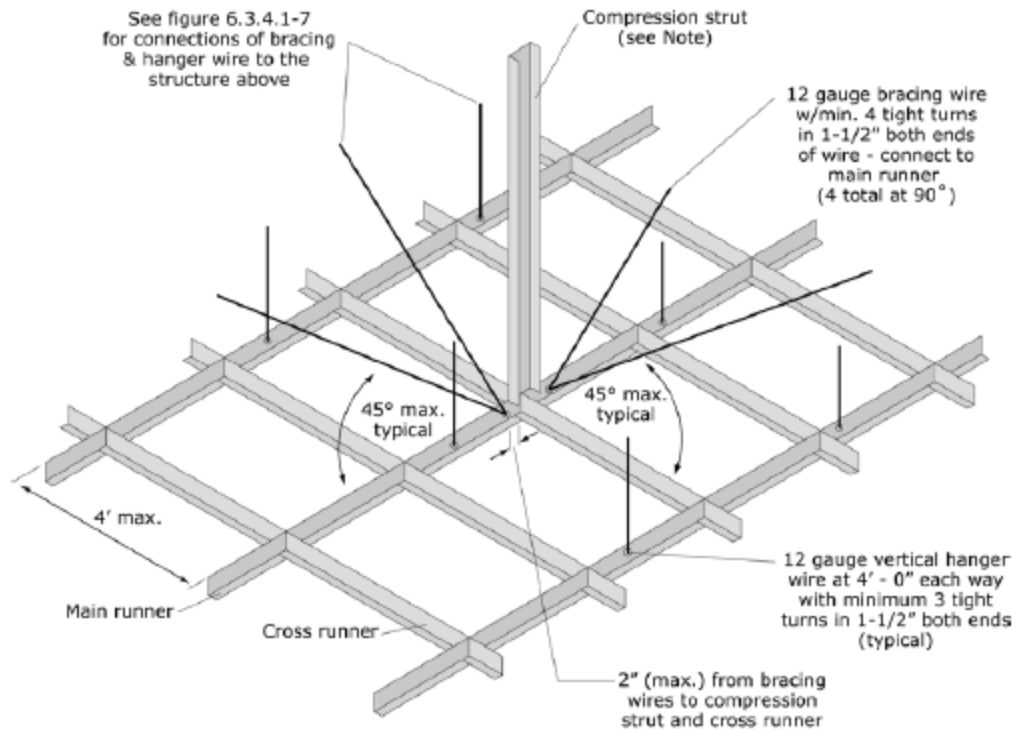


Figure G-8. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – Edge Conditions.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)



Note: Compression strut shall not replace hanger wire. Compression strut consists of a steel section attached to main runner with 2 - #12 sheet metal screws and to structure with 2 - #12 screws to wood or 1/4" min. expansion anchor to structure. Size of strut is dependent on distance between ceiling and structure ($l/r \leq 200$). A 1" diameter conduit can be used for up to 6'; a 1-5/8" X 1-1/4" metal stud can be used for up to 10'

Per DSA IR 25-5, ceiling areas less than 144 sq. ft. or fire rated ceilings less than 96 sq. ft., surrounded by walls braced to the structure above do not require lateral bracing assemblies when they are attached to two adjacent walls. (ASTM E580 does not require lateral bracing assemblies for ceilings less than 1000 sq. ft.; see text.)

Figure G-9. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – General Bracing Assembly.
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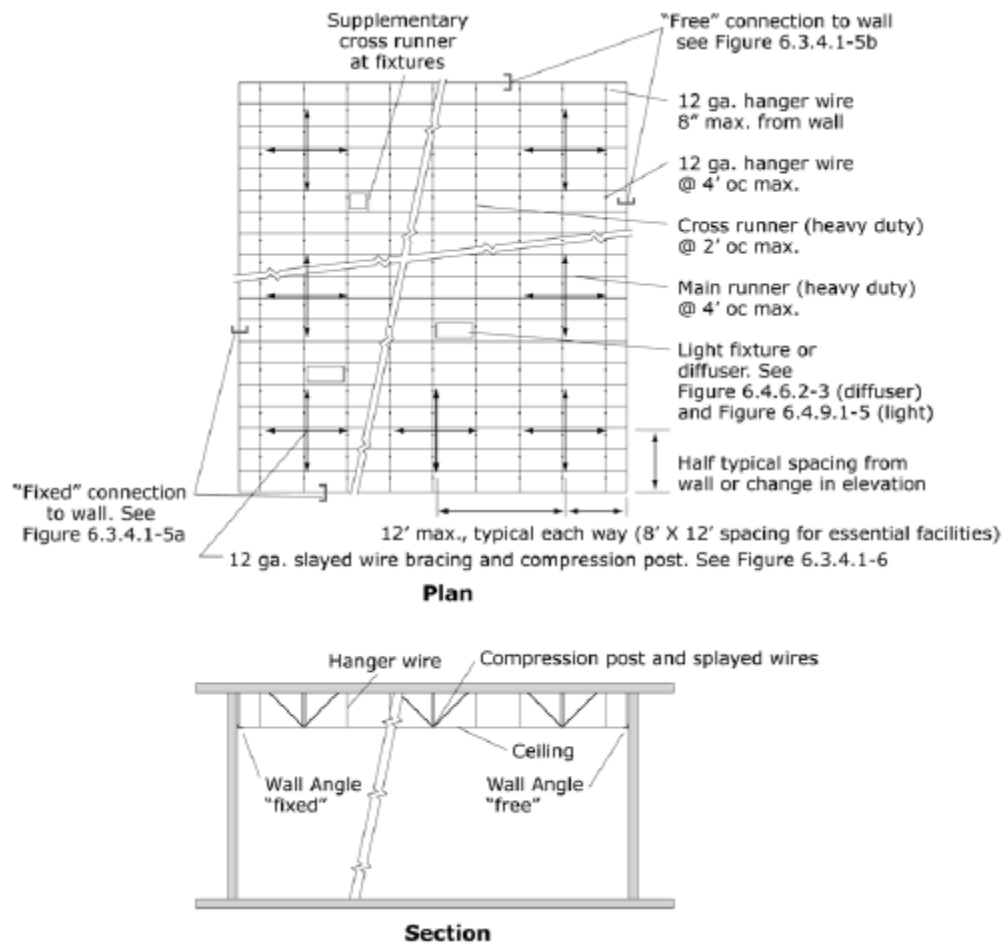


Figure G-10. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – General Bracing Layout.
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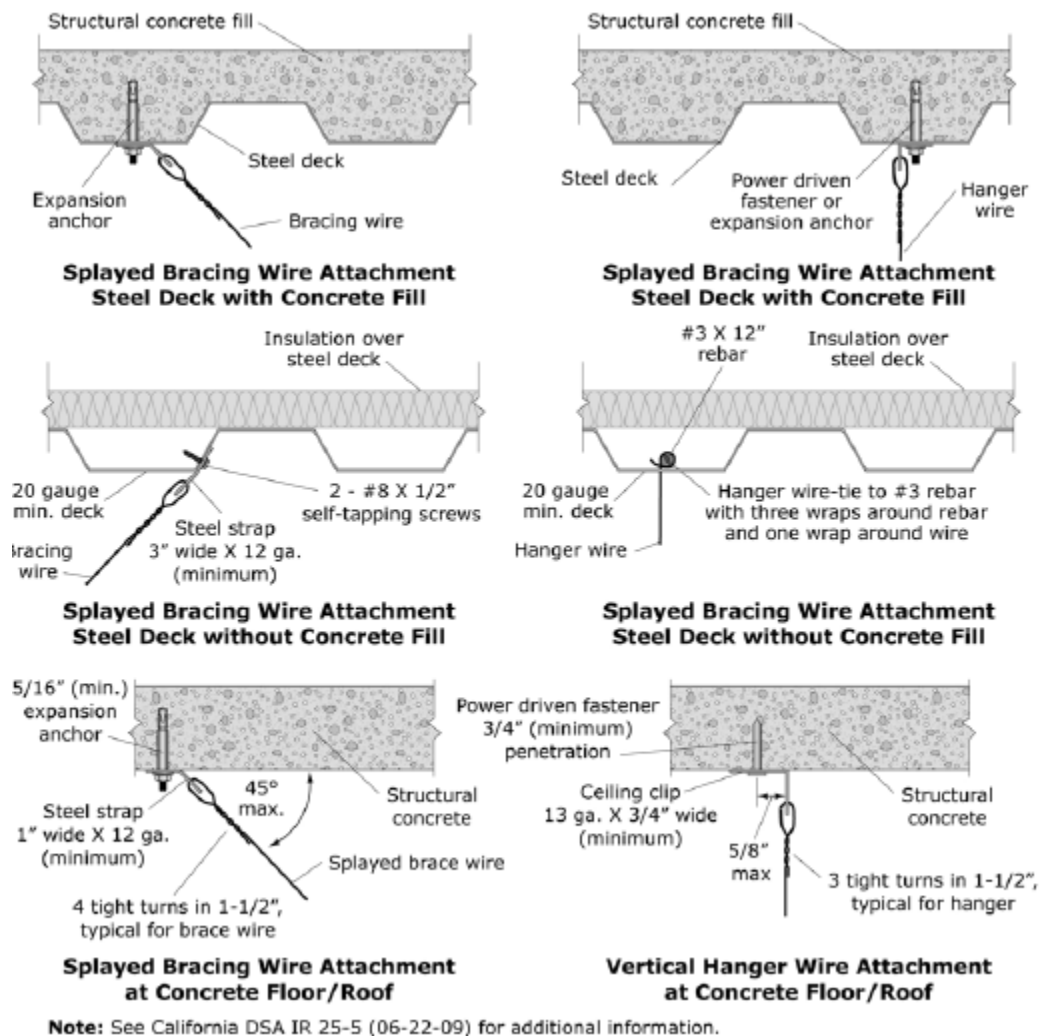
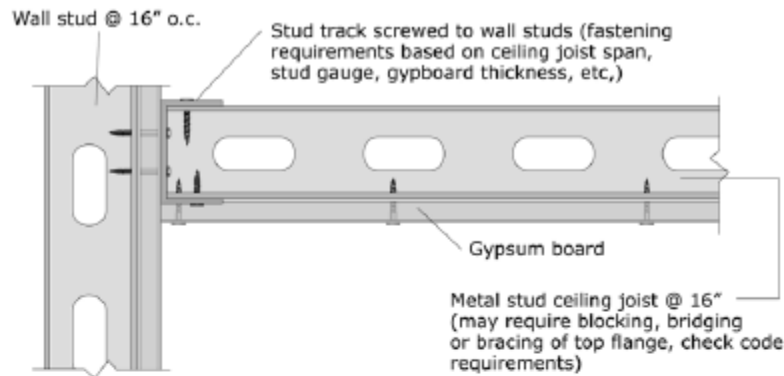
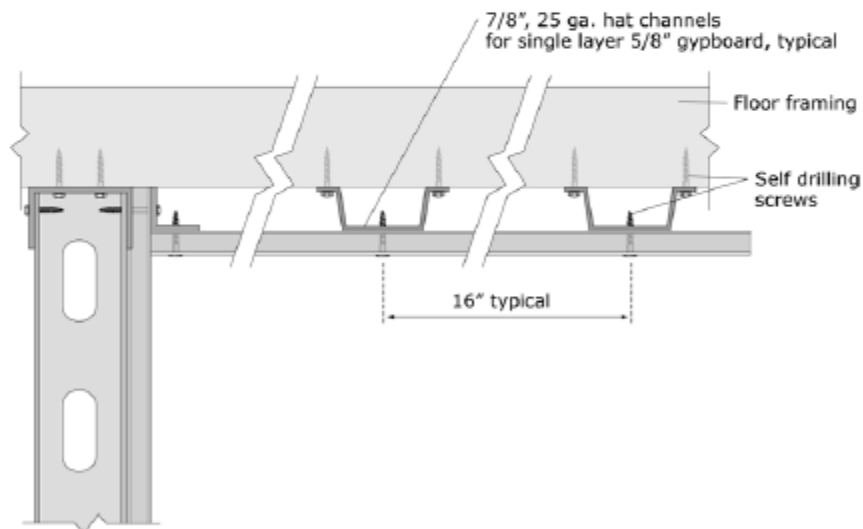


Figure G-11. Suspension System for Acoustic Lay-in Panel Ceilings – Overhead Attachment Details.

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a) Gypsum board attached directly to ceiling joists



b) Gypsum board attached directly to furring strips (hat channel or similar)

Note: Commonly used details shown; no special seismic details are required as long as furring and gypboard secured. Check for certified assemblies (UL listed, FM approved, etc.) if fire or sound rating required.

Figure G-12. Gypsum Board Ceiling Applied Directly to Structure.
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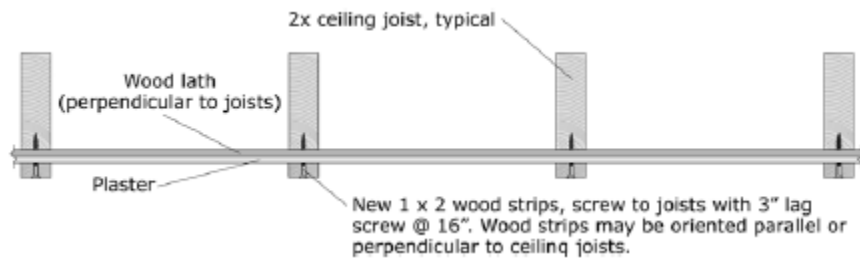


Figure G-13. Retrofit Detail for Existing Lath and Plaster.
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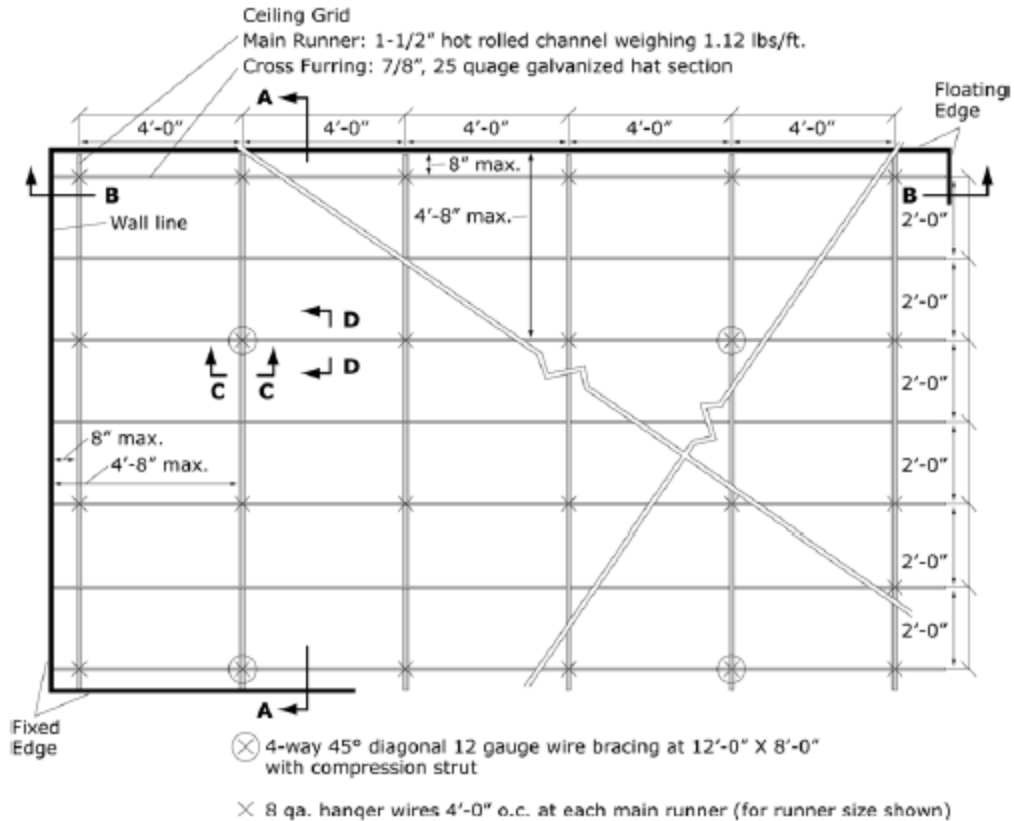
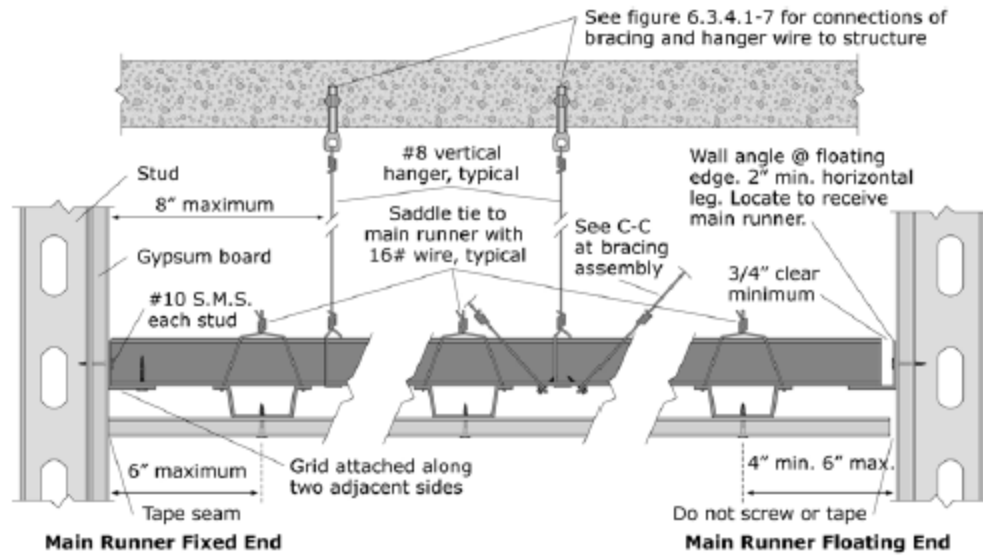
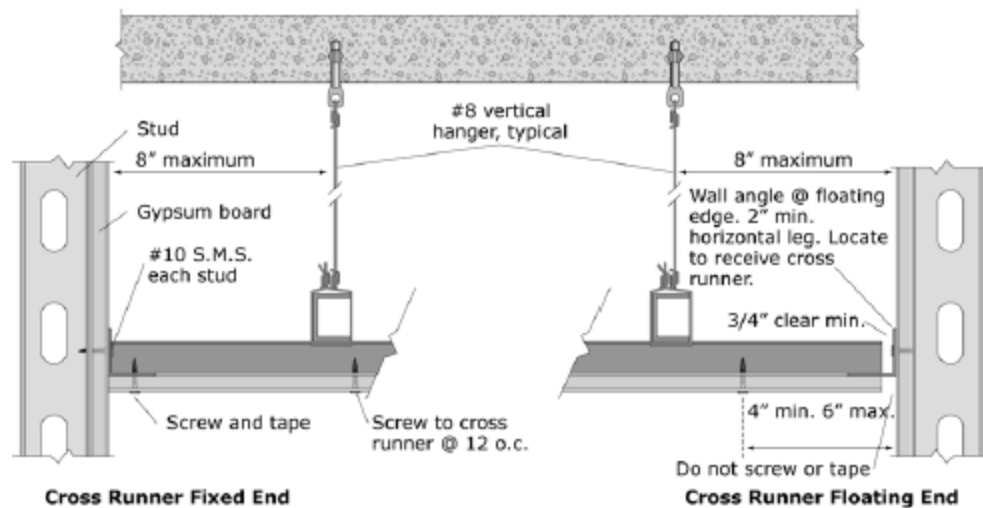


Figure G-14. Diagrammatic View of Suspended Heavy Ceiling Grid and Lateral Bracing.
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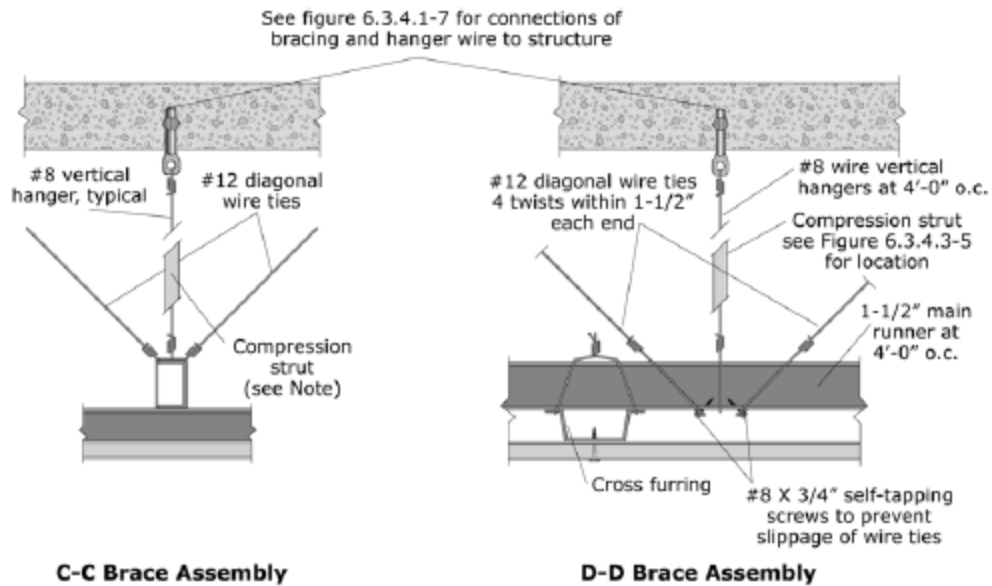


A-A Main Runner at Perimeter



B-B Cross Runner at Perimeter

Figure G-15. Perimeter Details for Suspended Gypsum Board Ceiling.
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Note: Compression strut shall not replace hanger wire. Compression strut consists of a steel section attached to main runner with 2 - #12 sheet metal screws and to structure with 2 - #12 screws to wood or 1/4" min. expansion anchor to concrete. Size of strut is dependent on distance between ceiling and structure ($l/r \leq 200$). A 1" diameter conduit can be used for up to 6', a 1-5/8" X 1-1/4" metal stud can be used for up to 10'. See figure 6.3.4.1-6 for example of bracing assembly.

Figure G-16. Details for Lateral Bracing Assembly for Suspended Gypsum Board Ceiling.
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Light Fixtures

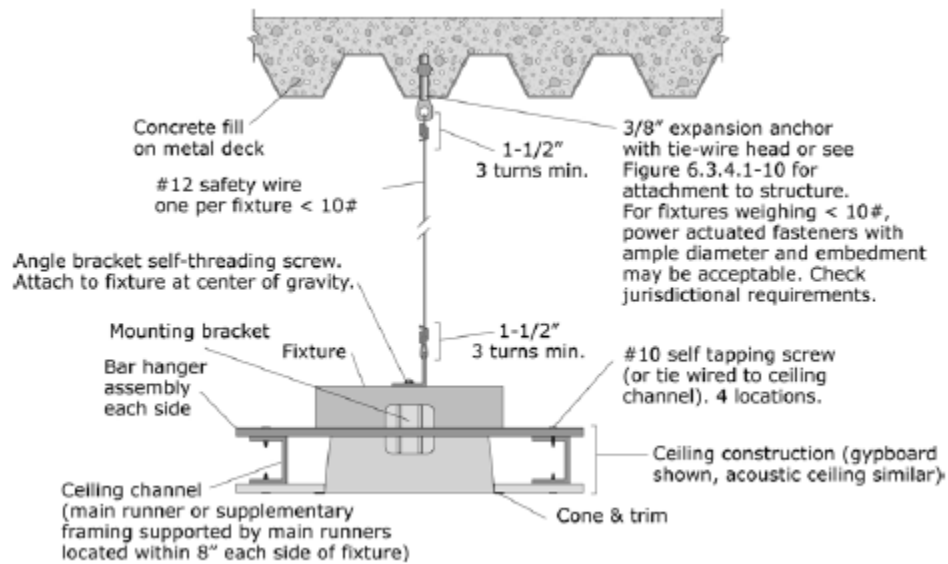


Figure G-17. Recessed Light Fixture in suspended Ceiling (Fixture Weight < 10 pounds).
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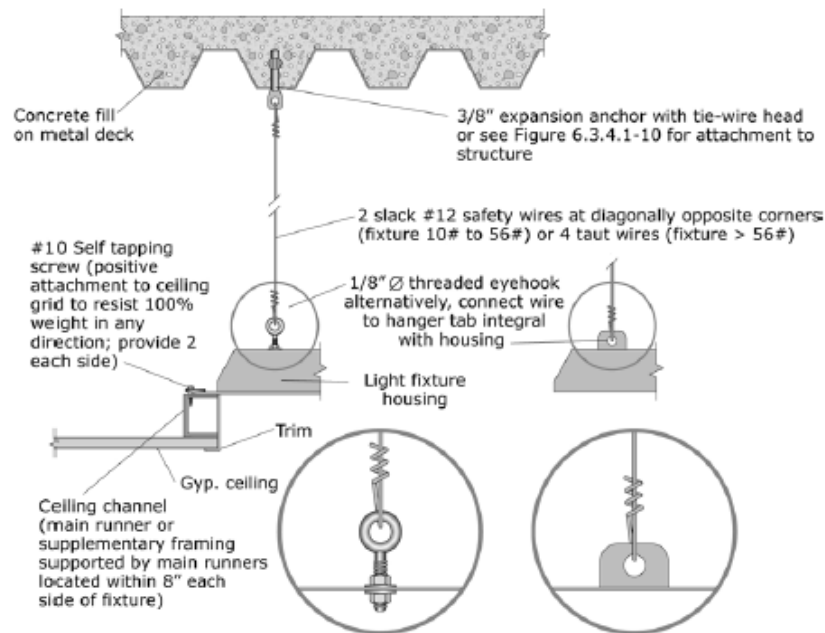


Figure G-18. Recessed Light Fixture in suspended Ceiling (Fixture Weight 10 to 56 pounds).
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Contents and Furnishings

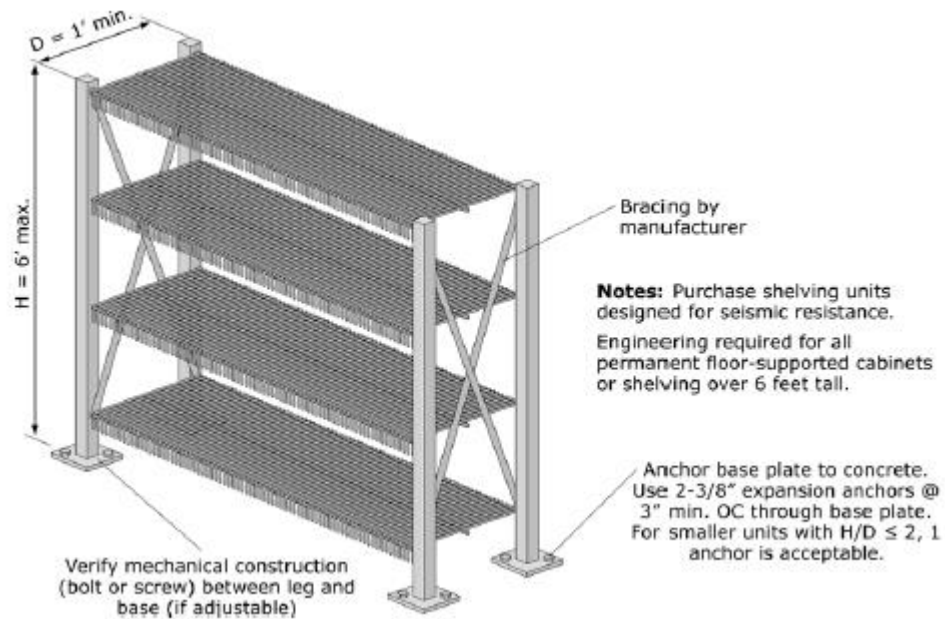
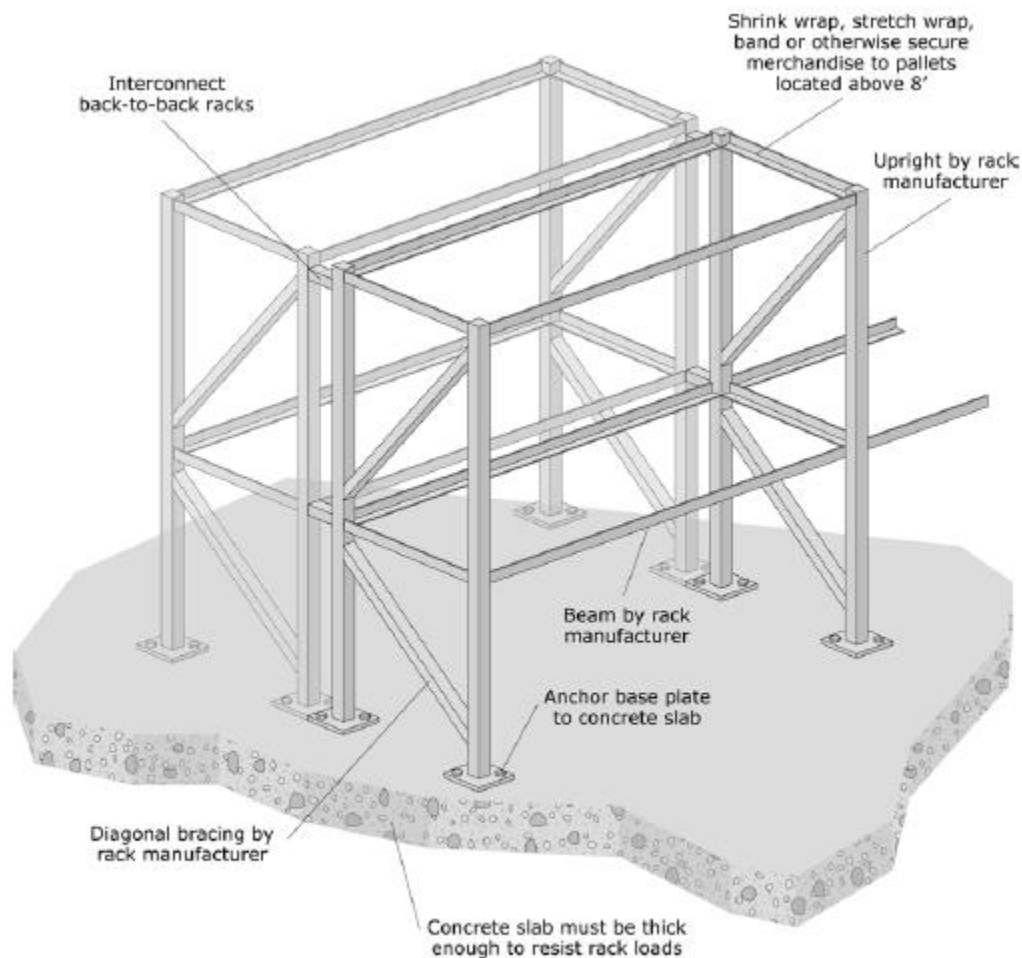


Figure G-19. Light Storage Racks.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, *Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage*)



Note: Purchase storage racks designed for seismic resistance. Storage racks may be classified as either nonstructural elements or nonbuilding structures depending upon their size and support conditions. Check the applicable code to see which provisions apply.

Figure G-20. Industrial Storage Racks.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)

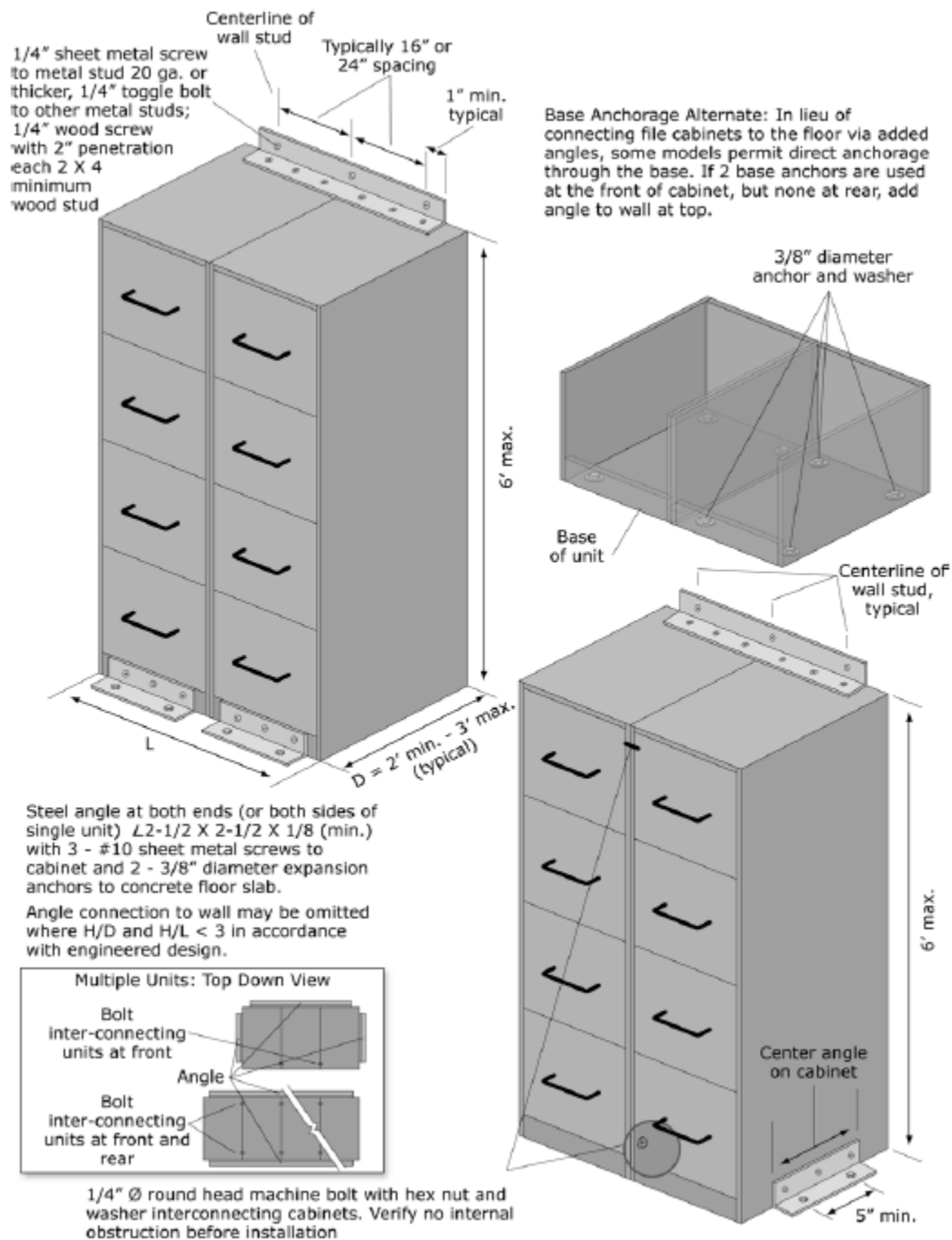


Figure G-21. Wall-mounted File Cabinets.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)

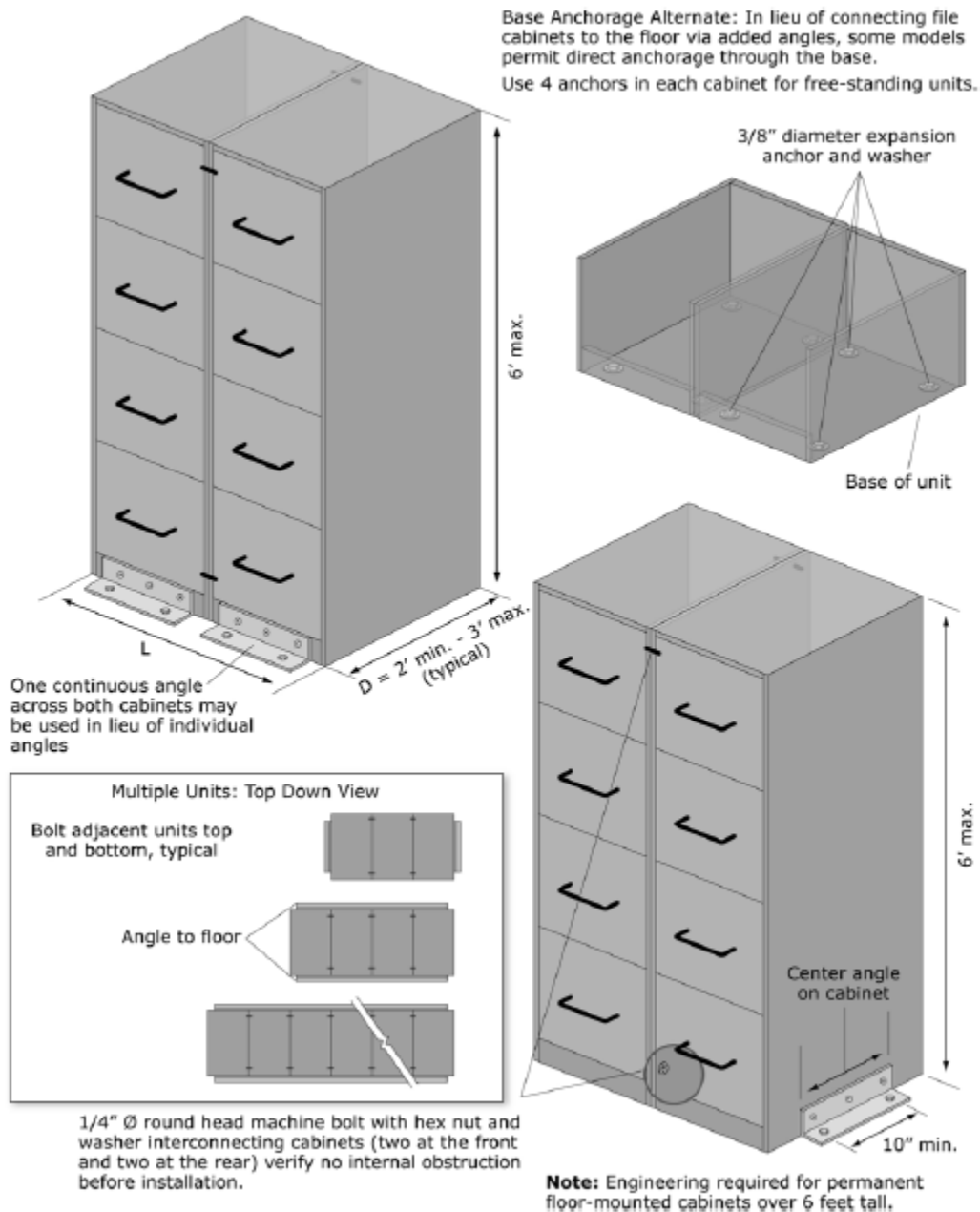
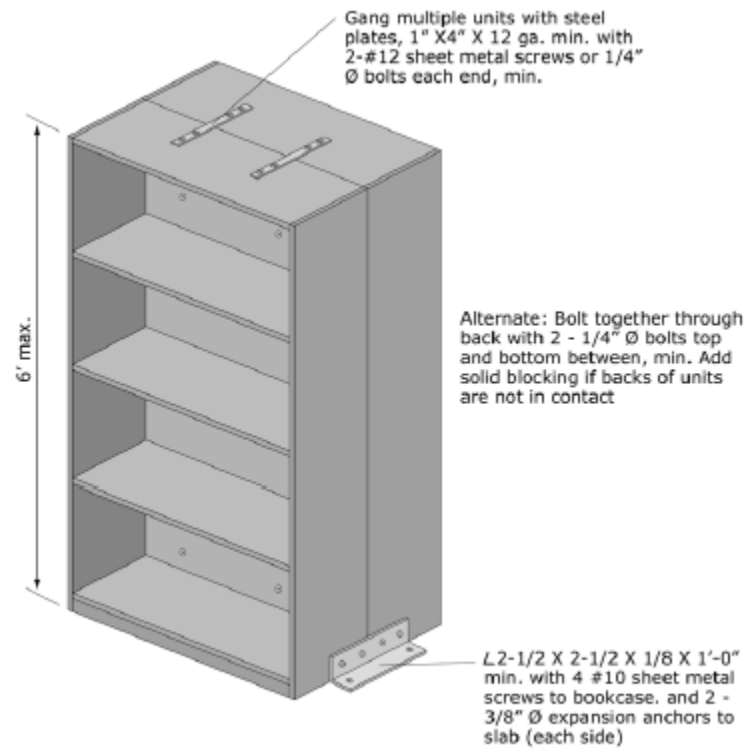


Figure G-22. Base Anchored File Cabinets.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage)



Note: Engineering required for all permanent floor-supported cabinets or shelving over 6 feet tall. Details shown are adequate for typical shelving 6 feet or less in height.

Figure G-23. Anchorage of Freestanding Book Cases Arranged Back to Back.
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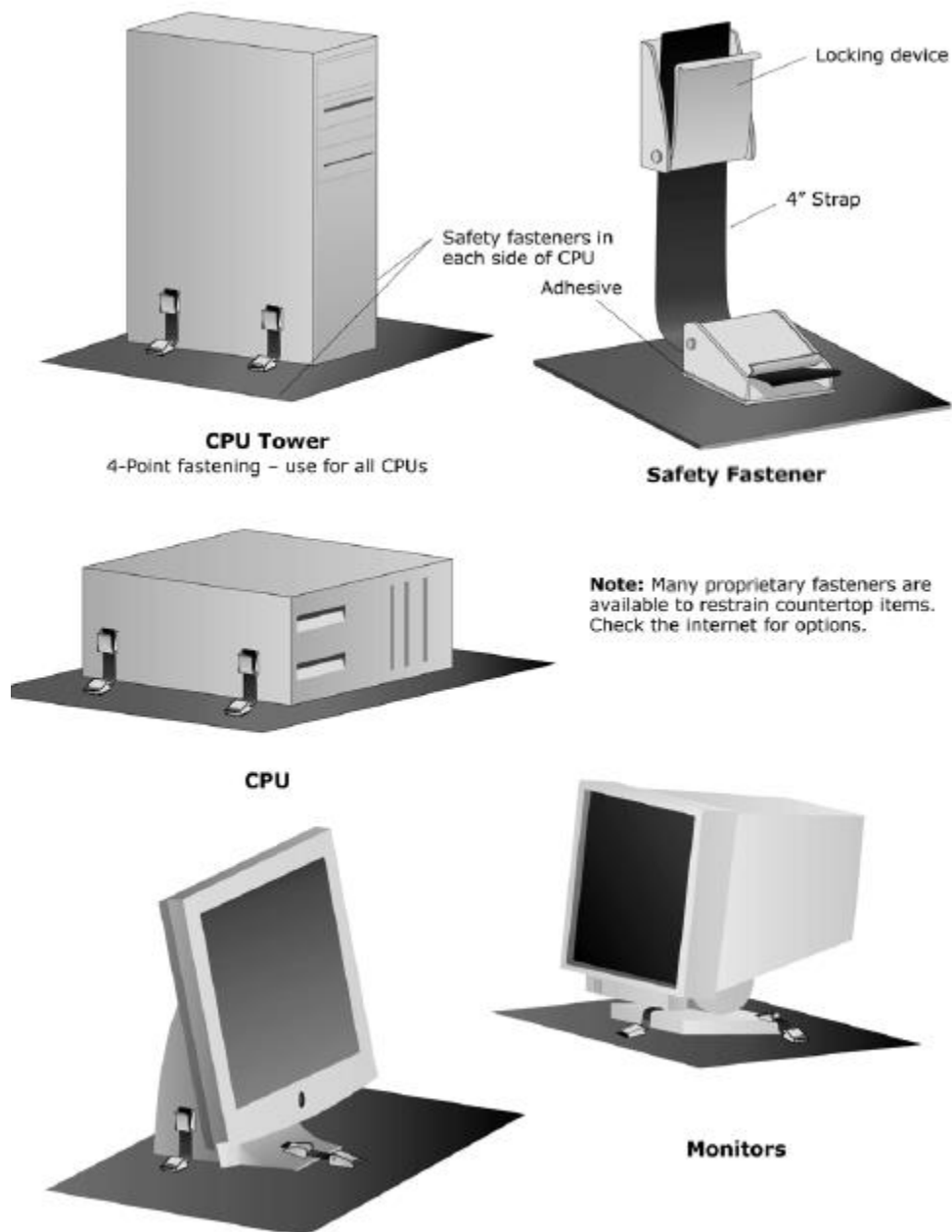
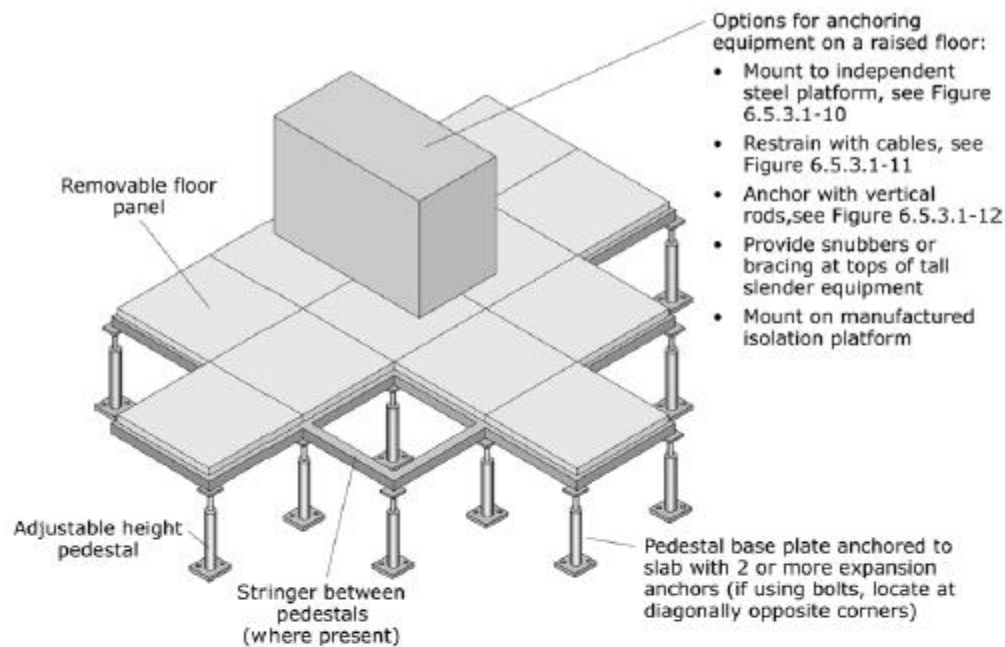
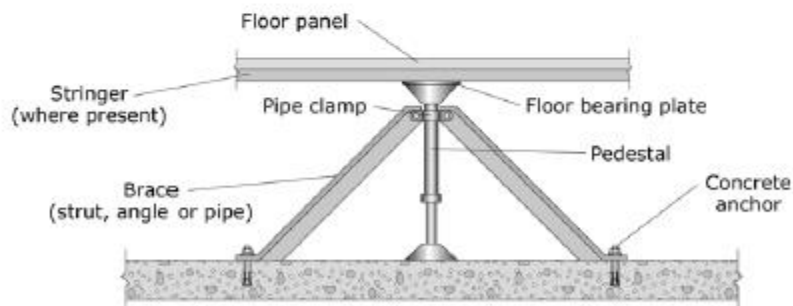


Figure G-24. Desktop Computers and Accessories.
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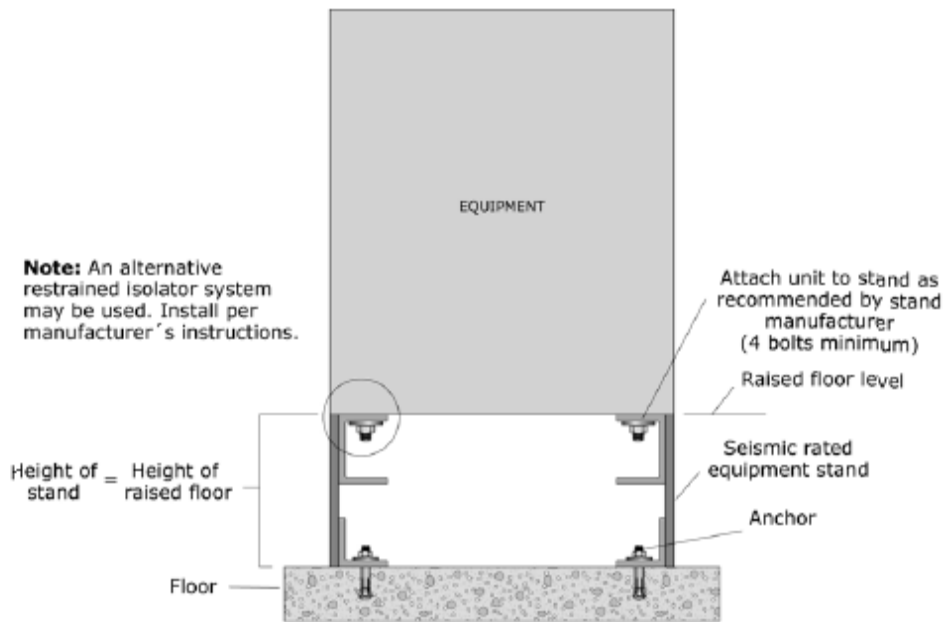
Cantilevered Access Floor Pedestal



Braced Access Floor Pedestal
(use for tall floors or where pedestals are not strong enough to resist seismic forces)

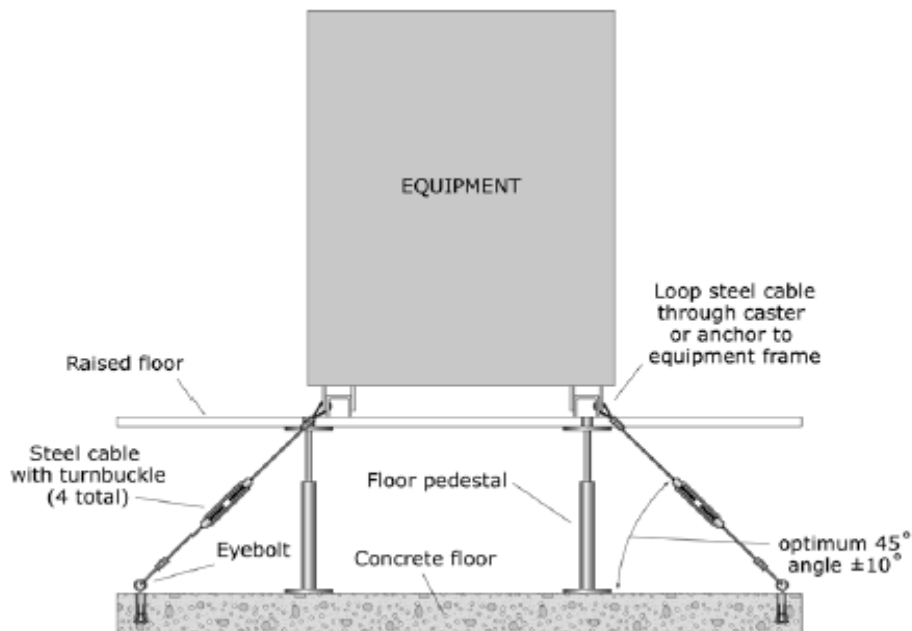
Note: For new floors in areas of high seismicity, purchase and install systems that meet the applicable code provisions for "special access floors."

Figure G-25. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor.
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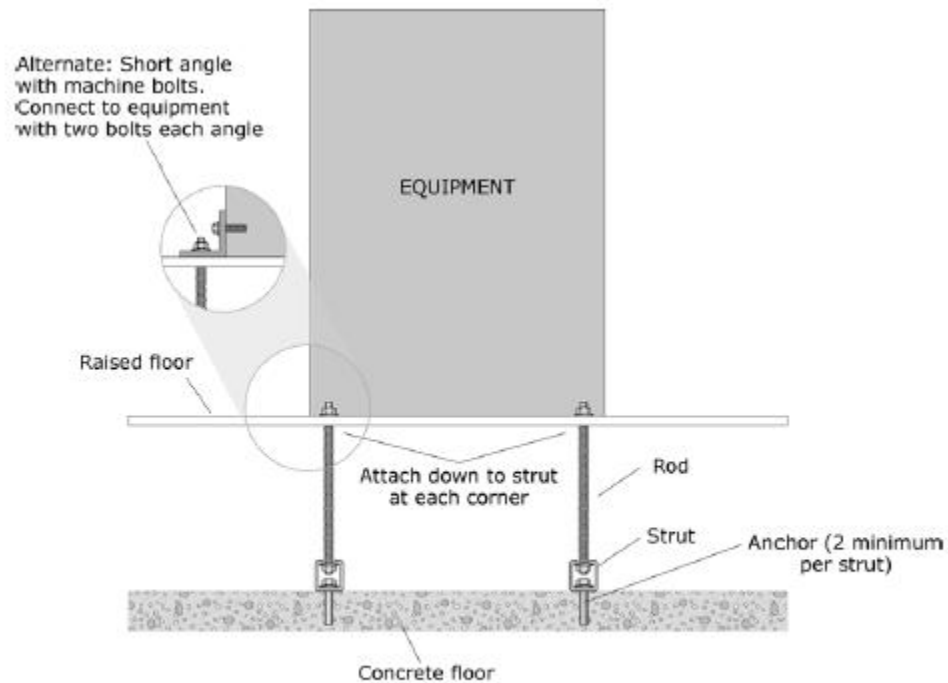
Equipment installed on an independent steel platform within a raised floor

Figure G-26. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor – Independent Base.
(FEMA E-74, 2012, *Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage*)



Equipment restrained with cables beneath a raised floor

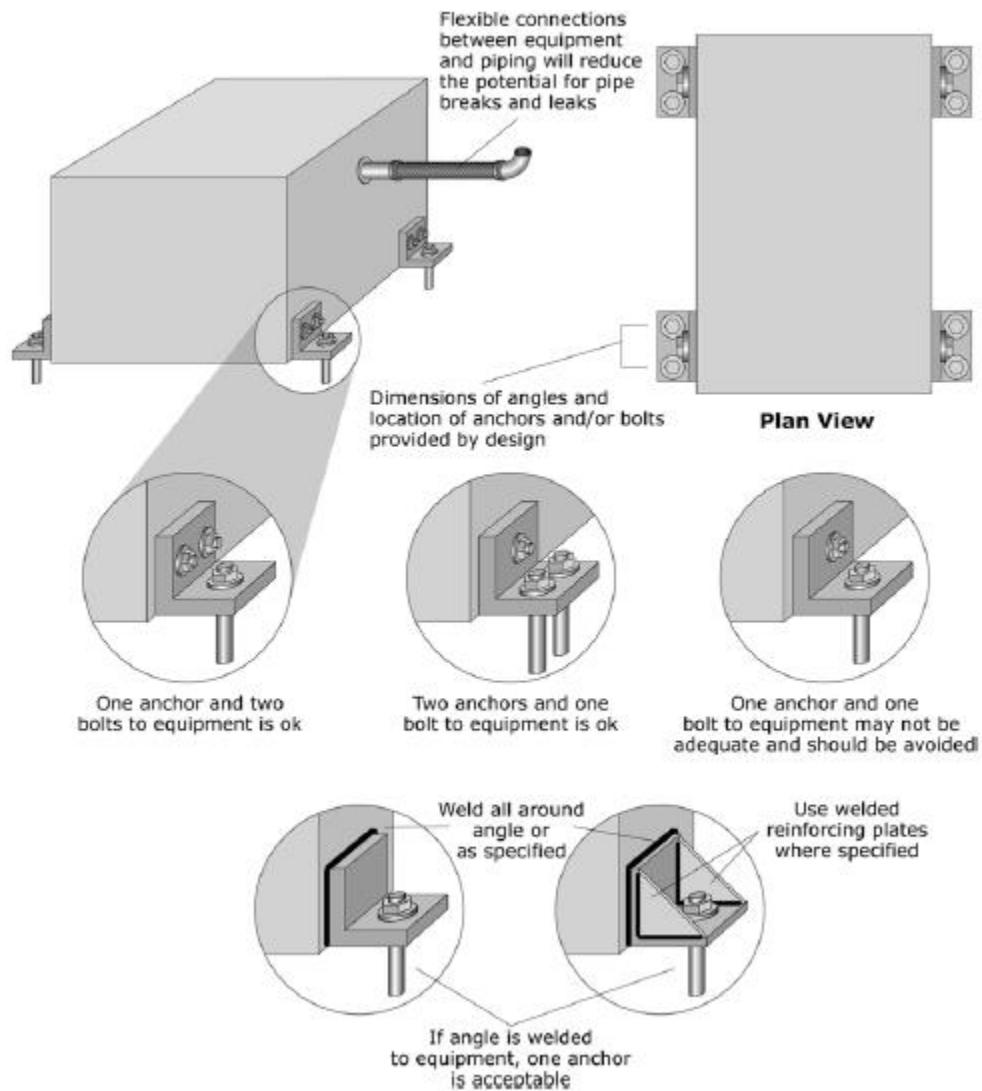
Figure G-27. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor – Cable Braced.
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Equipment anchored with vertical rods beneath a raised floor

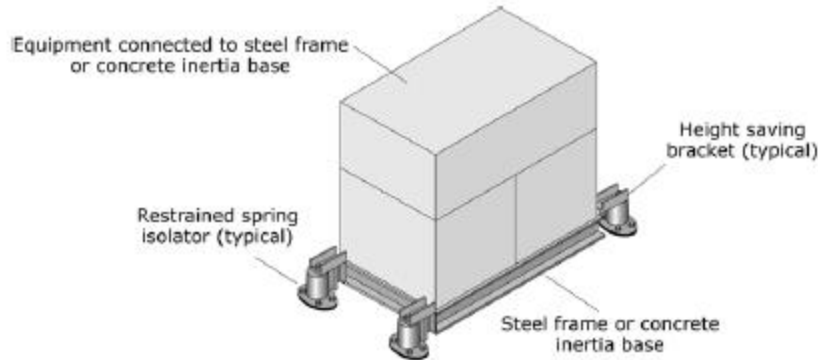
Figure G-28. Equipment Mounted on Access Floor – Tie-down Rods.
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Mechanical and Electrical Equipment

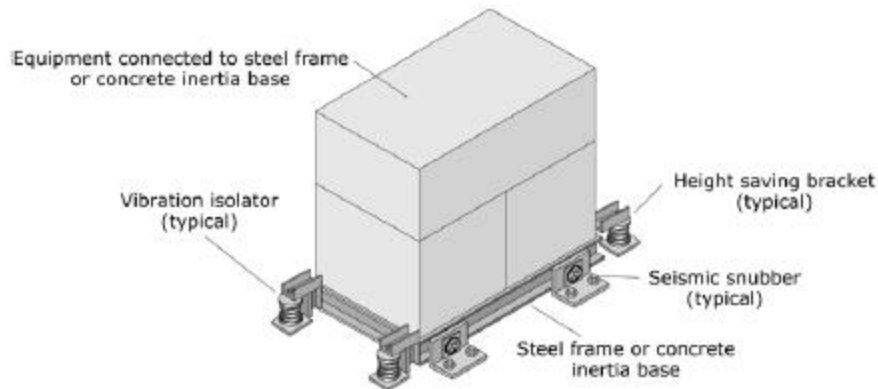


Note: Rigidly mounted equipment shall have flexible connections for the fuel lines and piping.

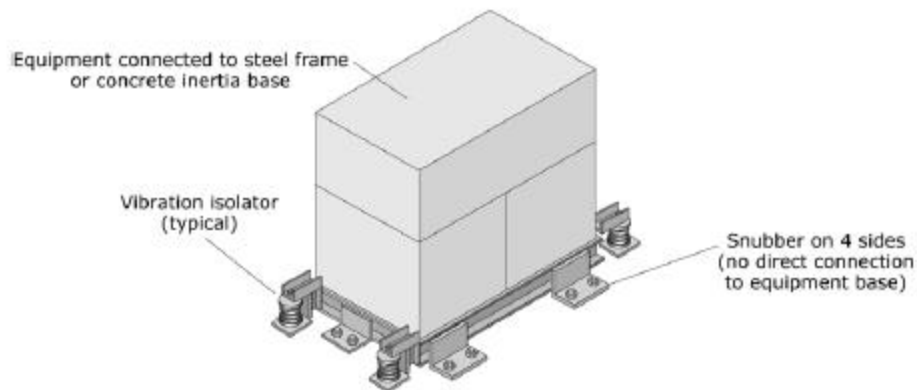
Figure G-29. Rigidly Floor-mounted Equipment with Added Angles.
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Supplemental base with restrained spring isolators



Supplemental base with open springs and all-directional snubbers



Supplemental base with open springs and one-directional snubbers

Figure G-30. HVAC Equipment with Vibration Isolation.
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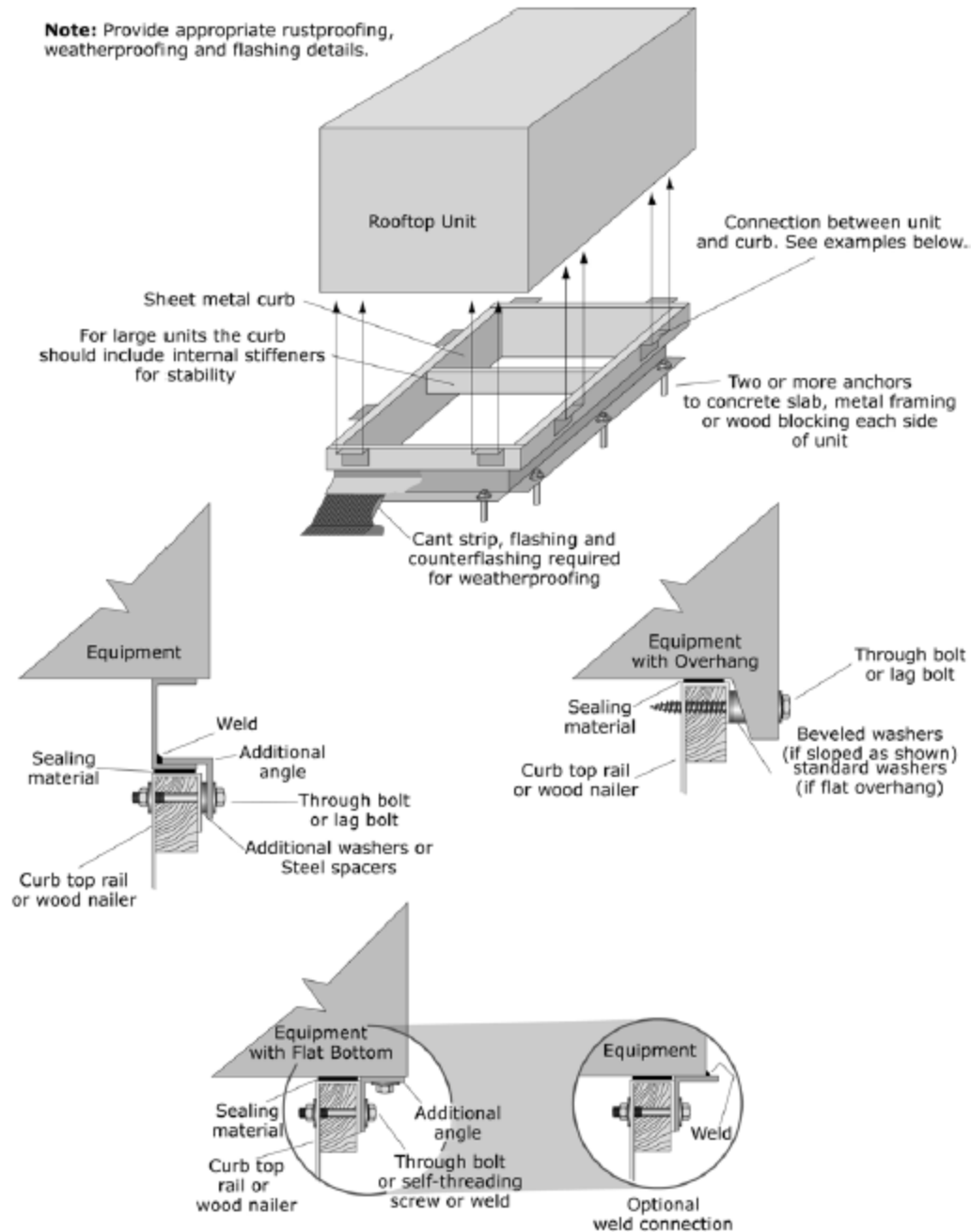


Figure G-31. Rooftop HVAC Equipment.
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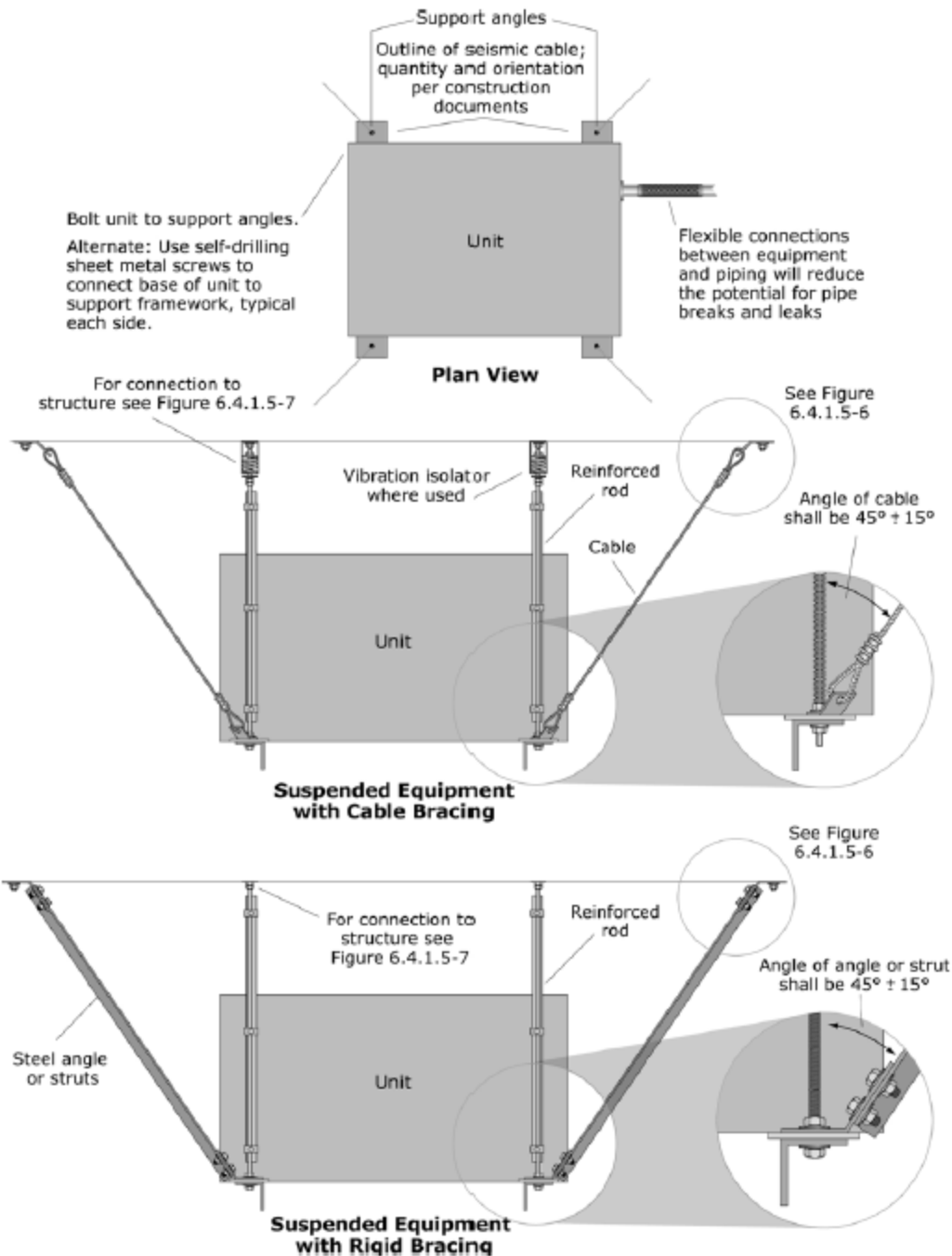


Figure G-32. Suspended Equipment.
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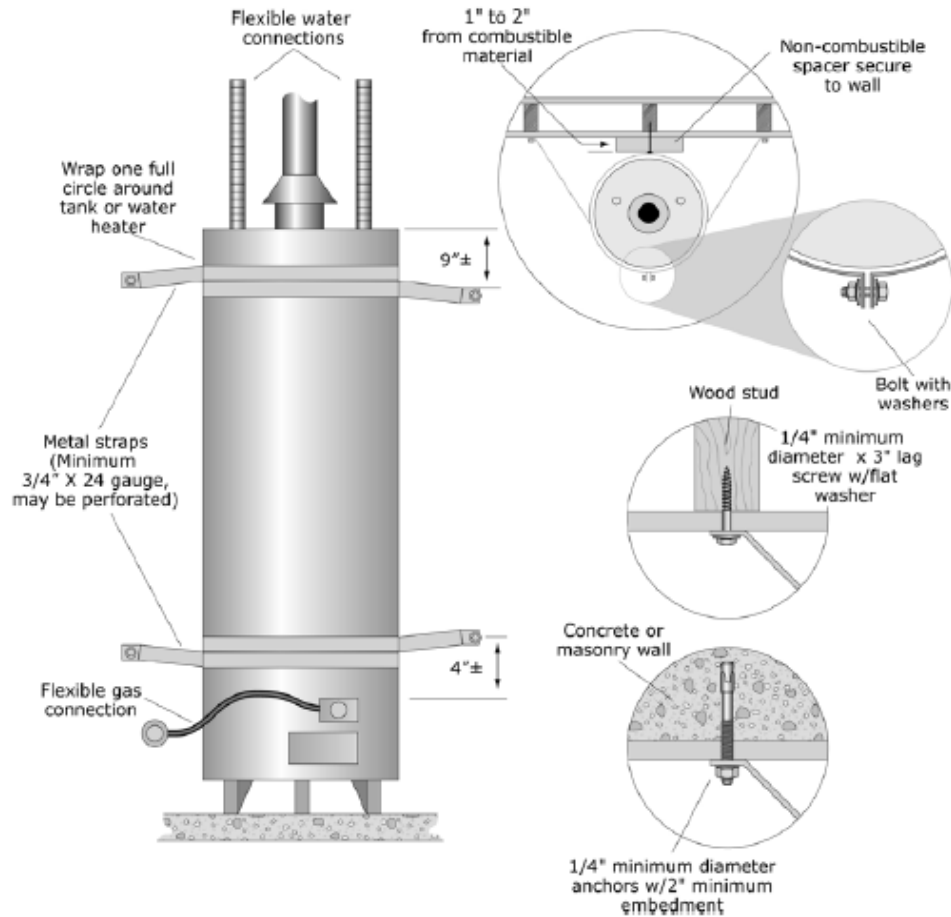


Figure G-33. Water Heater Strapping to Backing Wall.
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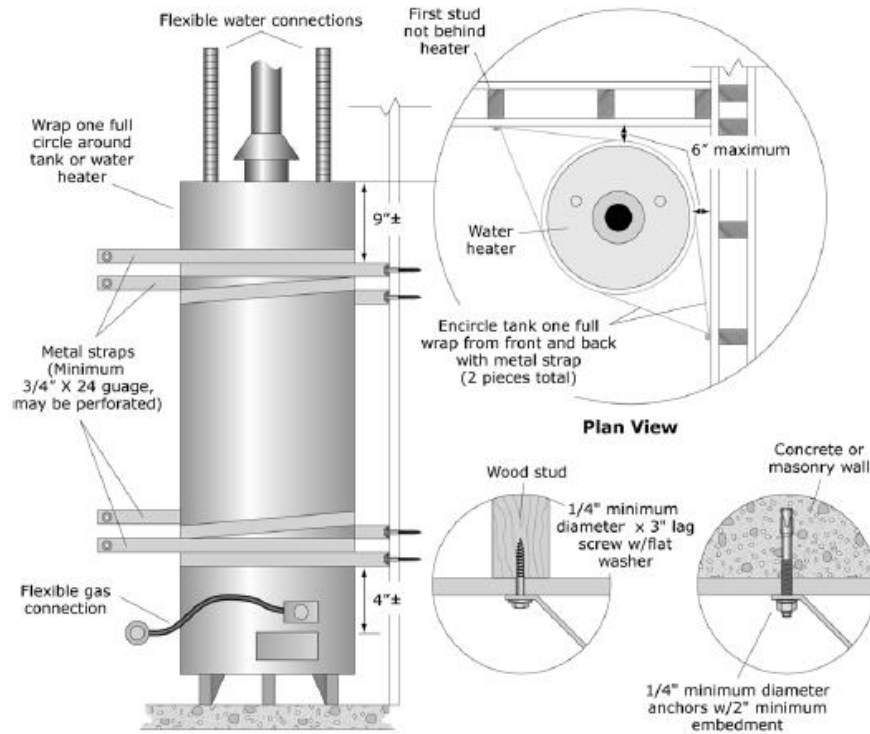


Figure G-34. Water Heater – Strapping at Corner Installation.
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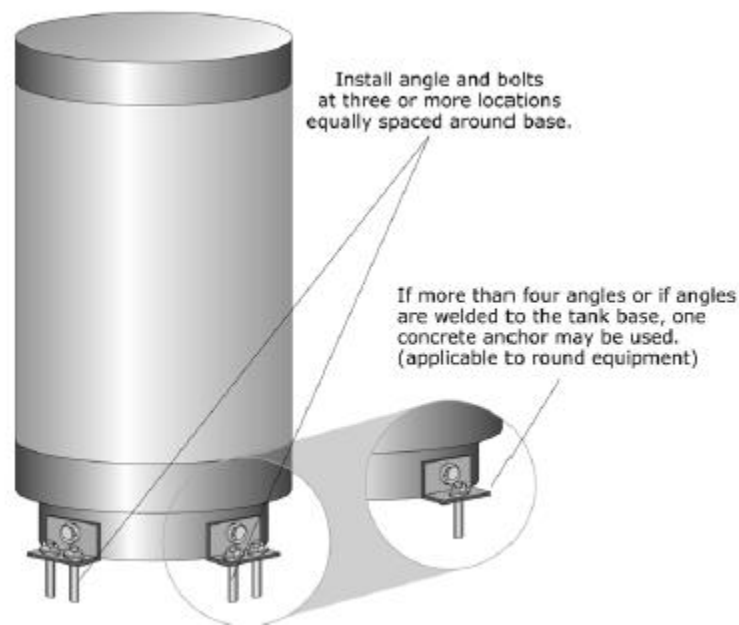


Figure G-35. Water Heater – Base Mounted.
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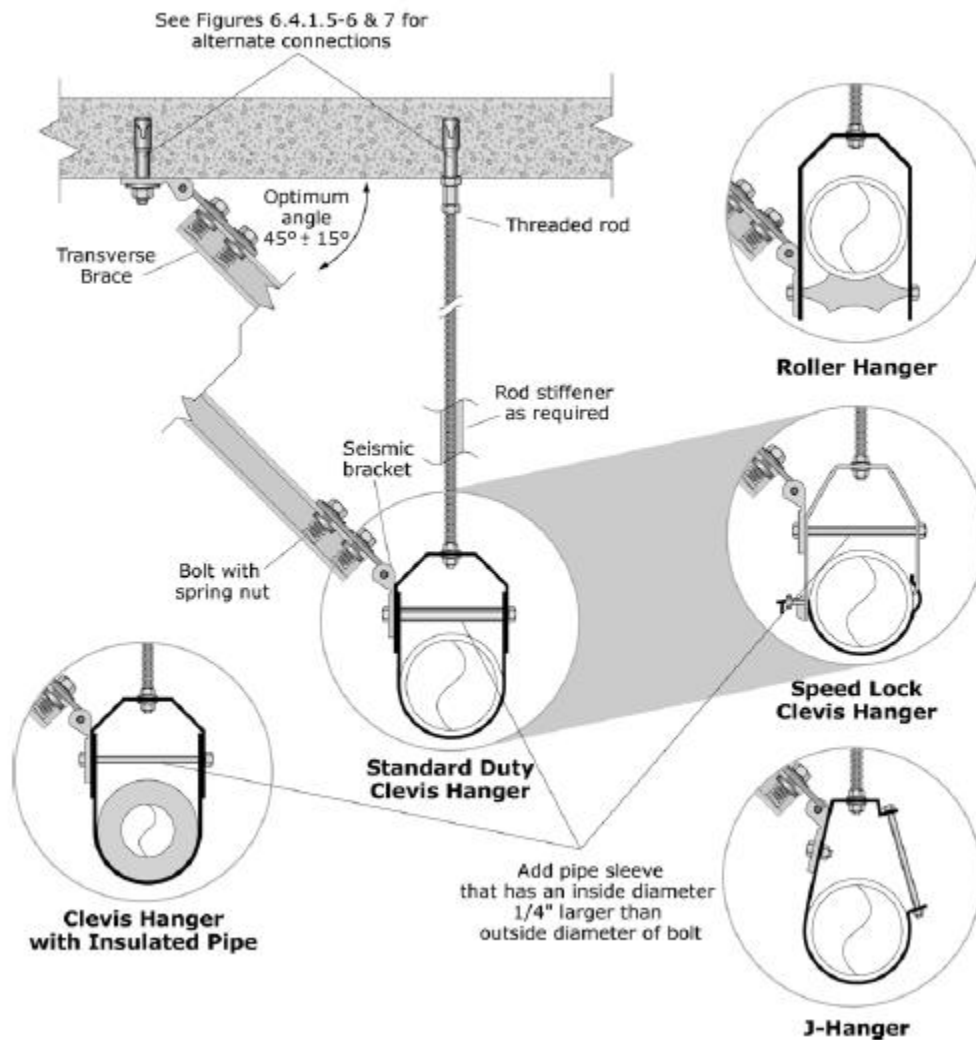


Figure G-36. Rigid Bracing – Single Pipe Transverse.
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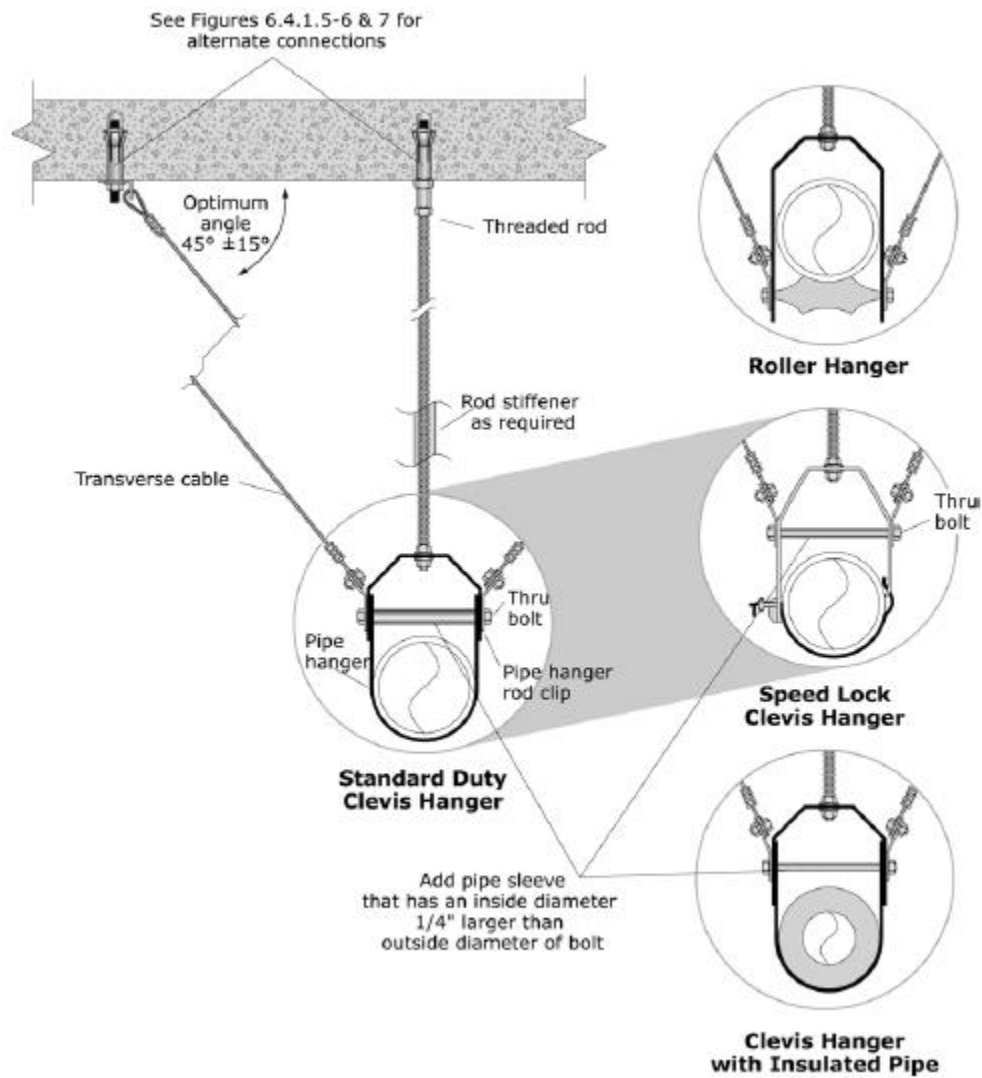


Figure G-37. Cable Bracing – Single Pipe Transverse.
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Electrical and Communications

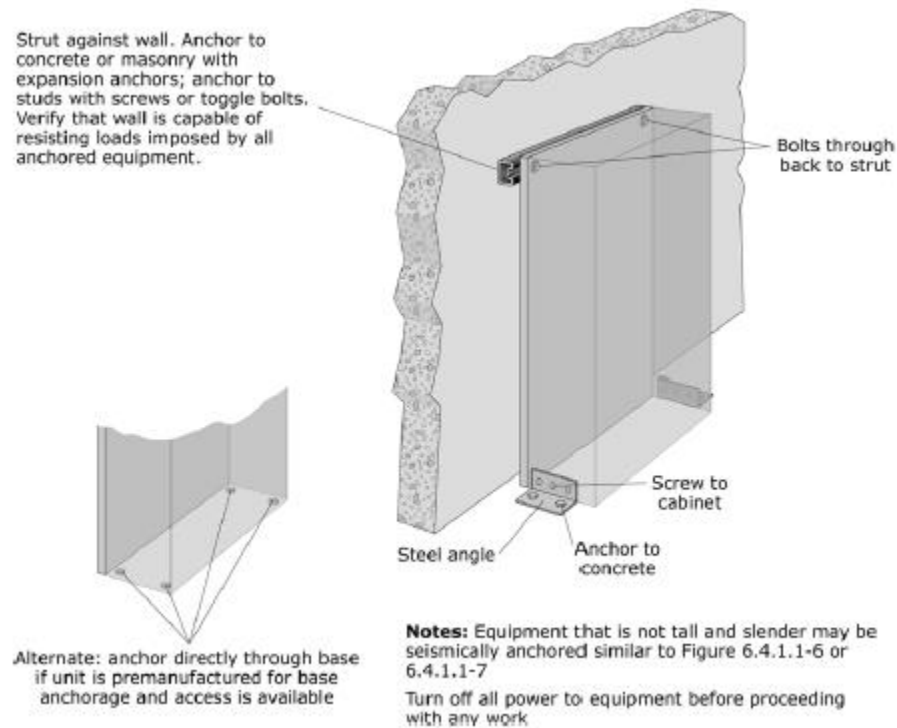


Figure G-38. Electrical Control Panels, Motor Controls Centers, or Switchgear.
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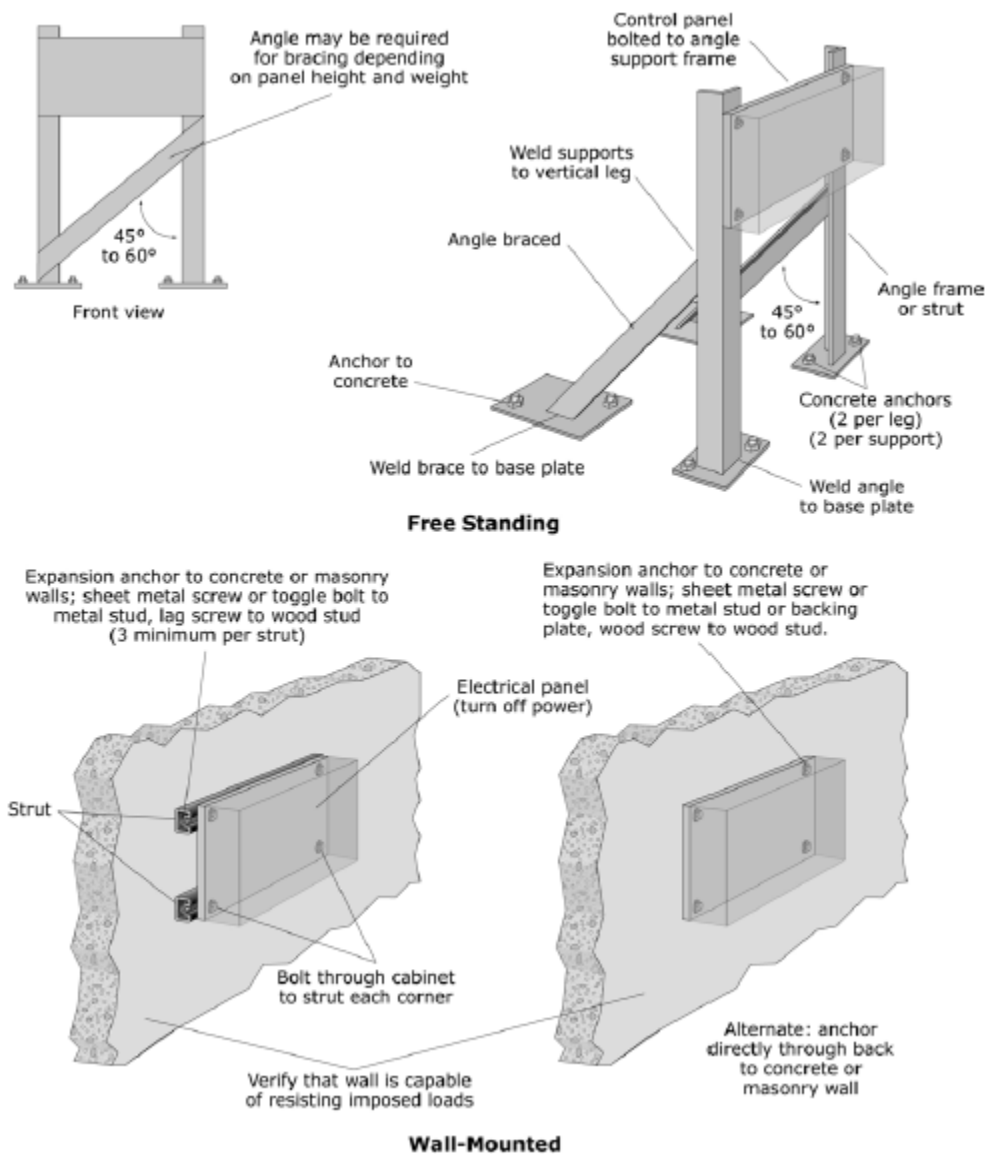


Figure G-39. Freestanding and Wall-mounted Electrical Control Panels, Motor Controls Centers, or Switchgear.
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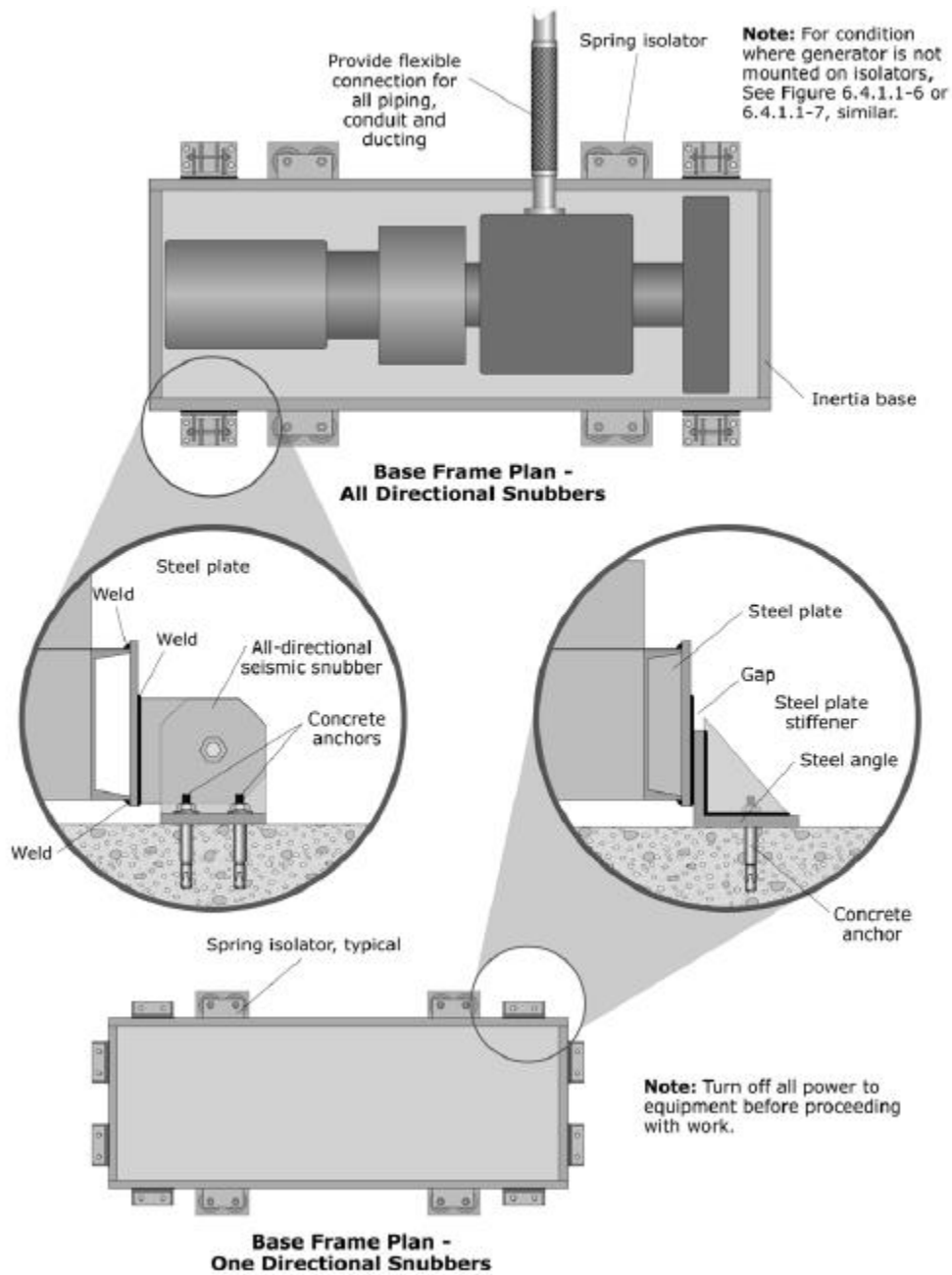


Figure G-40. Emergency Generator.
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